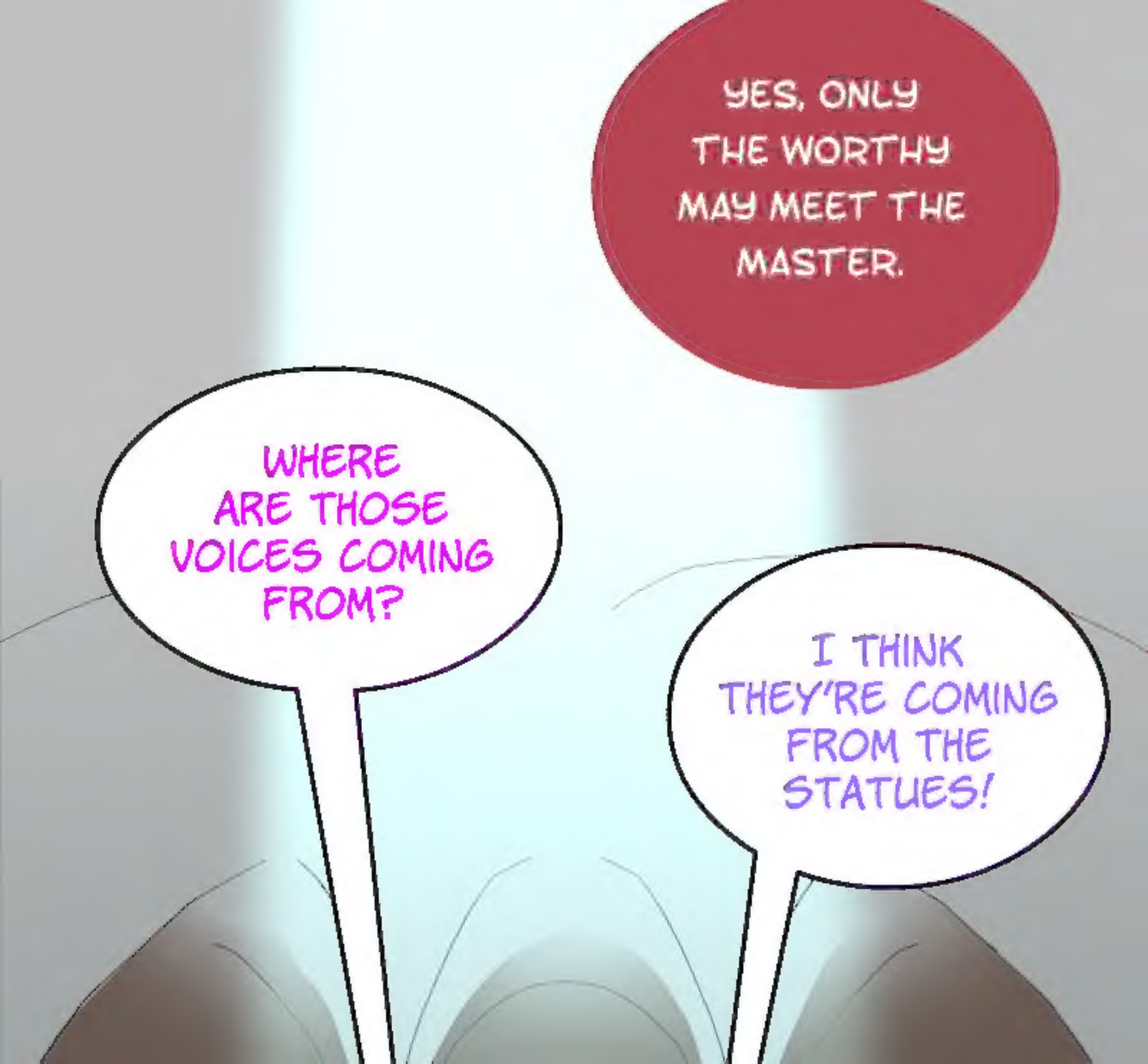
3 YEARS AGO

ONLY
THE WORTHY
MAY CROSS THE
LABYRINTH.


YES, ONLY THE WORTHY MAY MEET THE MASTER.
WHERE ARE THOSE VOICES COMING FROM?
I THINK THEY'RE COMING FROM THE STATUES!

N

W
S
E
WE
ARE THE SISTER
GUARDIANS OF THE
LABYRINTH.

TWO OF US ARE SISTERS. THE OTHER IS A DOOR.

IDENTIFY THE FALSE SISTER.

STRIKE HER AND THE DOOR WILL BE REVEALED.

BUT WE WILL CURSE WHOEVER STRIKES A REAL SISTER.

A CURSE THAT WILL CAUSE INSTANT DEATH.

YOU
WILL BE
TESTED IN TEN
ROOMS.

IDENTIFY
THE FALSE SISTERS
TEN TIMES AND YOU
WILL FIND THE
MASTER

...THERE'S SOMETHING DIFFERENT ABOUT THE MIDDLE ONE!

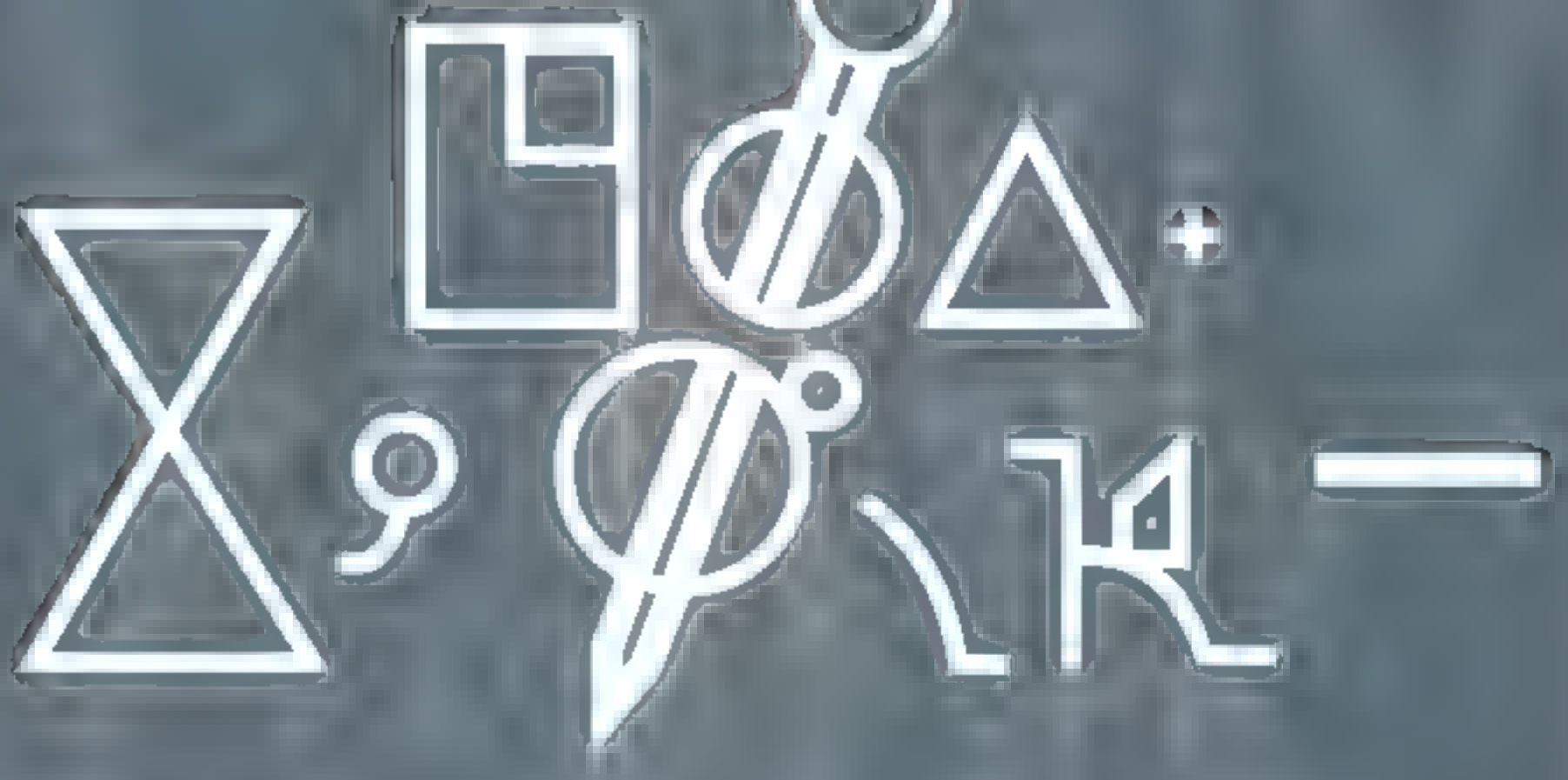
WHAT?
THEY ALL
LOOK EXACTLY
THE SAME!

YOU HAVE THE HIGHEST LUCK STAT, MIMI, YOU SHOULD GO FIRST.

MY LUCK IS BARELY ABOVE YOURS, VINCE. BESIDES, YOU'RE NEXT!

WHAT?!
I JUST TOOK
DOWN THAT GARGOYLE
AT THE ENTRANCE!

YOU'RE NEXT!



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"RACONTEUR TROUBADOUR"

I'LL
GO NEXT.

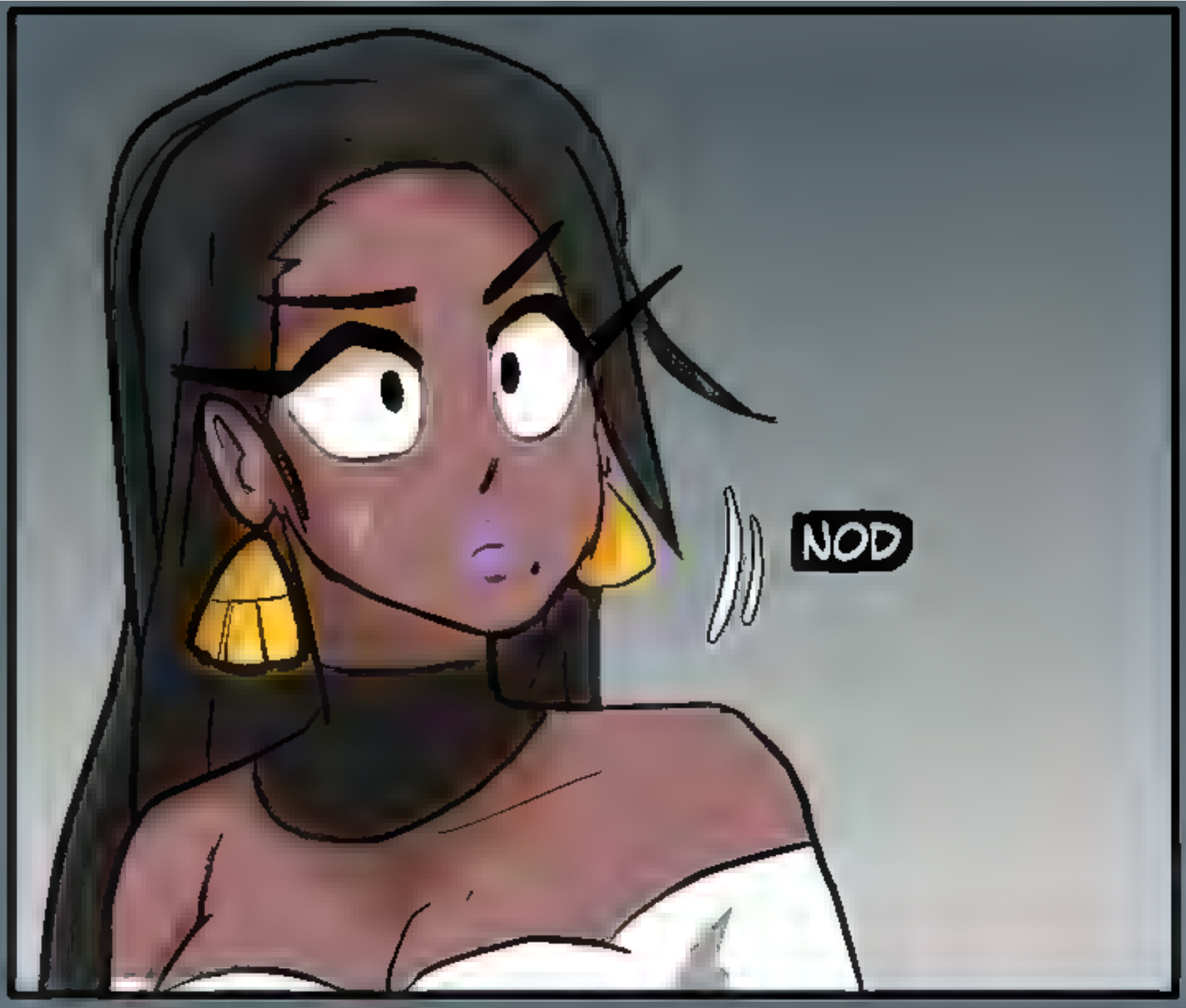
MY LUCK STAT ISN'T GREAT, BUT...

NEPHTHYS, CAN I COUNT ON YOU TO GUIDE ME?

BUT IT'S JUST A FEELING... WHAT IF I'M WRONG?

YOU WON'T BE WRONG.
BELIEVE IN YOURSELF.

THAT'S WHERE TRUE STRENGTH COMES FROM.


NOD

THE MIDDLE ONE IS THE FALSE SISTER. I...

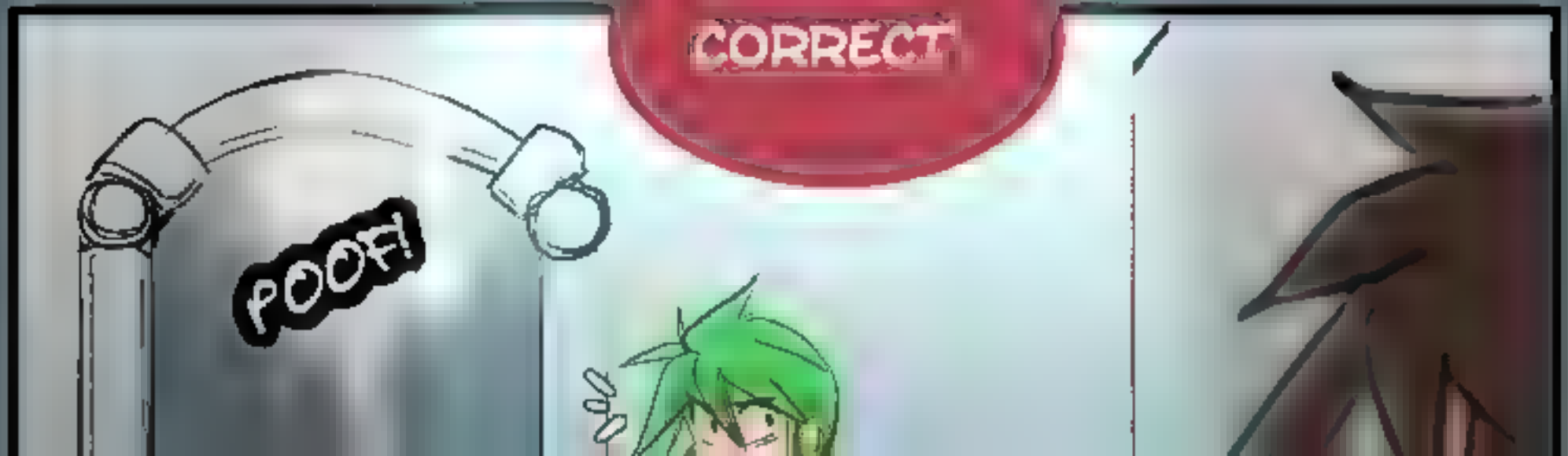
TAK
TAK
I'M SURE.

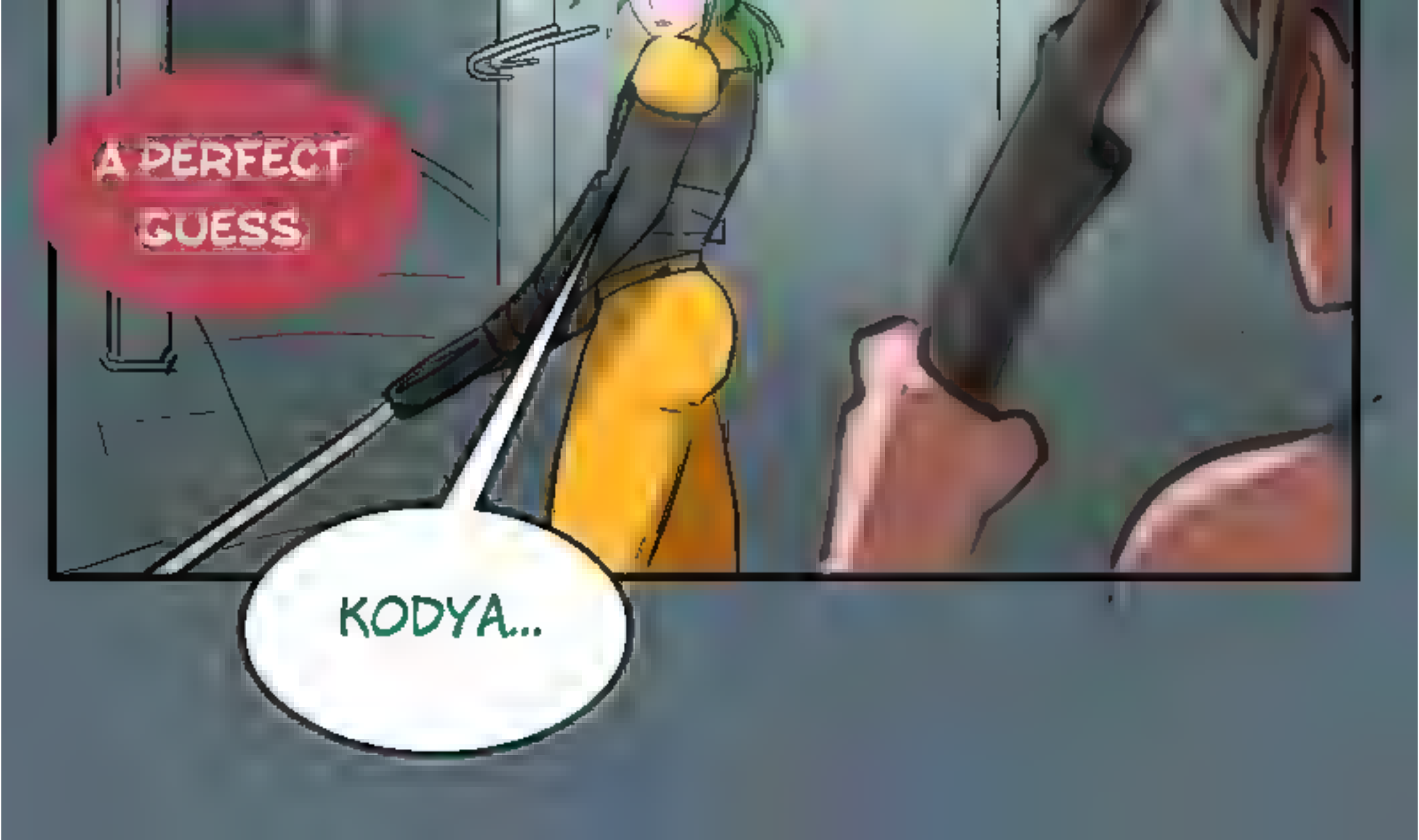
I BELIEVE IN YOU, NEPHTHYS.

HERE
WE GO.

SHUMF!

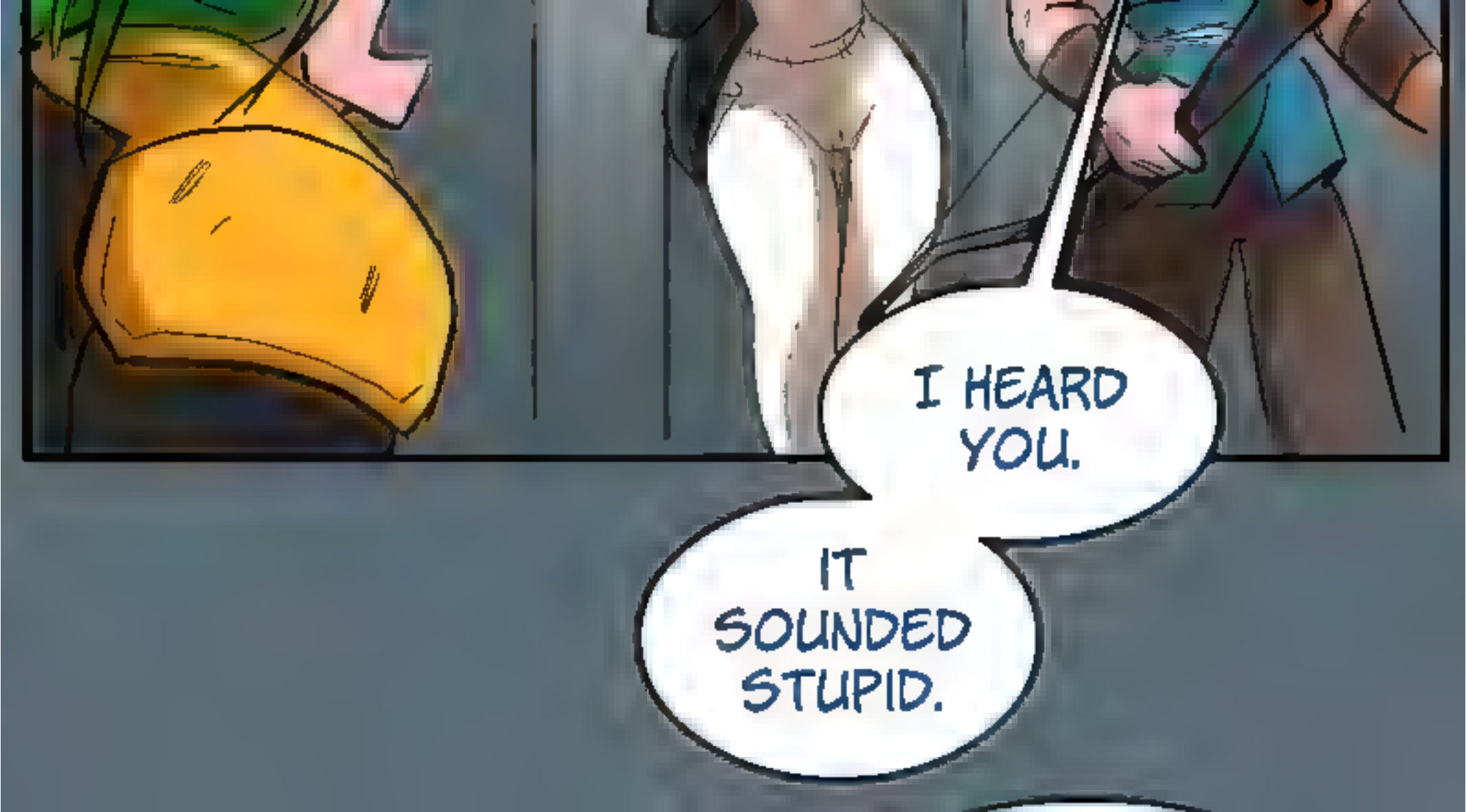
FLINCH


CORRECT
POOF!


A PERFECT GUESS
KODYA...

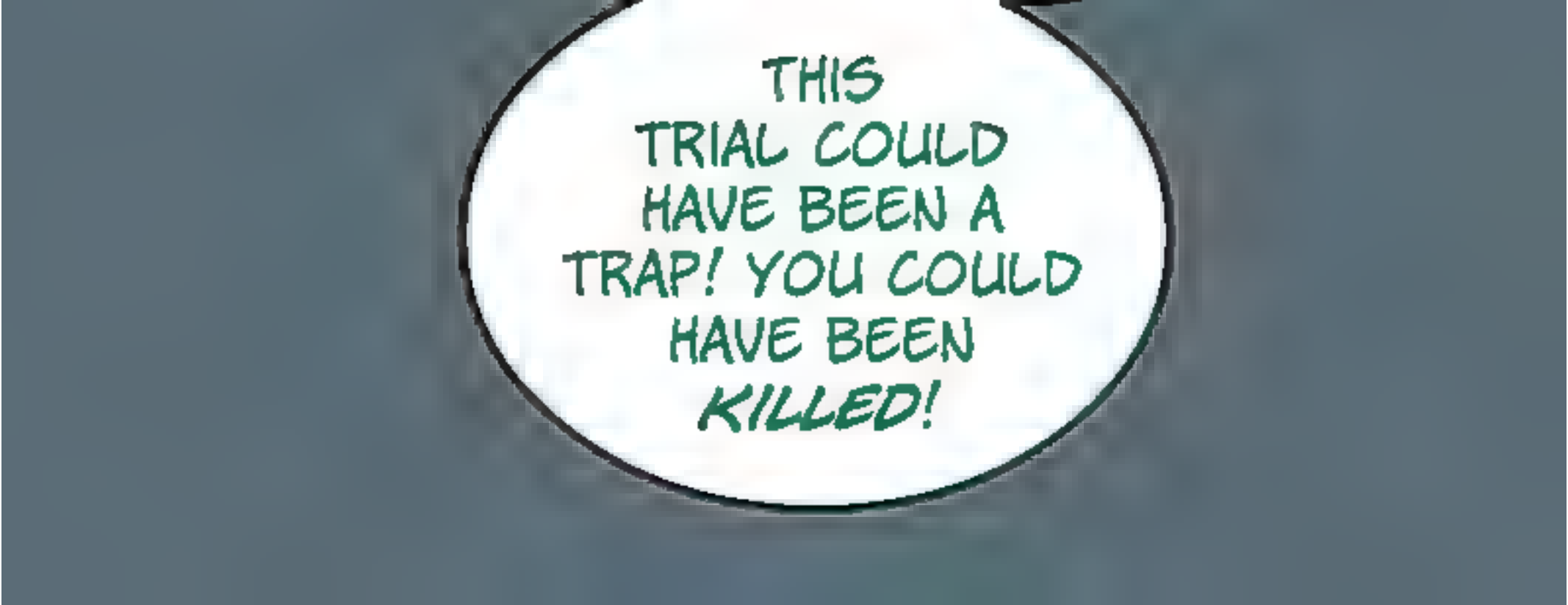
WHAT WERE YOU THINKING?!

I SAID
I WOULD GO
FIRST!


I HEARD YOU.
IT SOUNDED STUPID.

...
EXCUSE ME?!?!

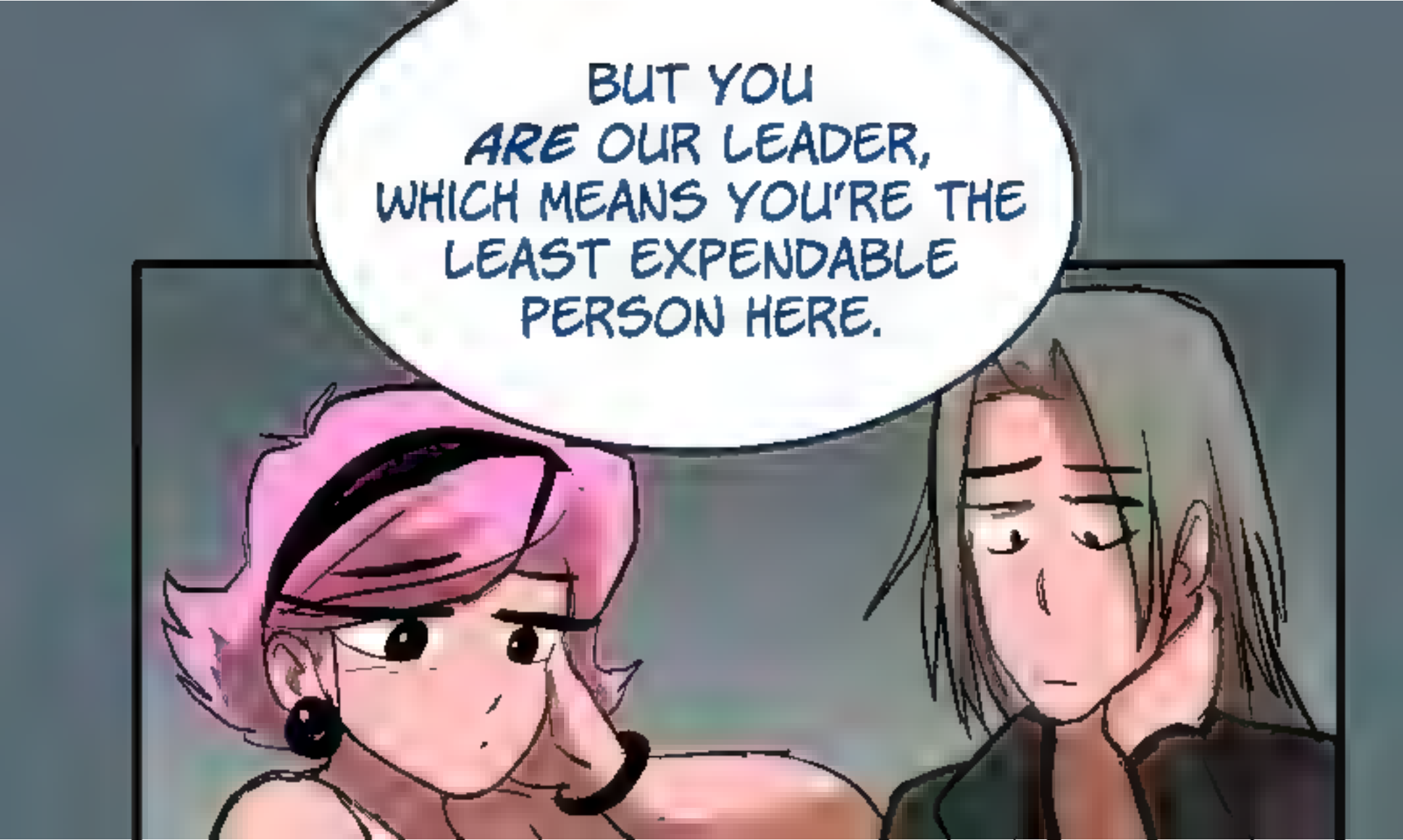
DON'T ASSUME THAT OUR RELATIONSHIP GIVES YOU THE RIGHT TO DISOBEY ORDERS, KID!!
I'M IN CHARGE OF THIS MISSION!


THIS TRIAL COULD HAVE BEEN A TRAP! YOU COULD HAVE BEEN KILLED!

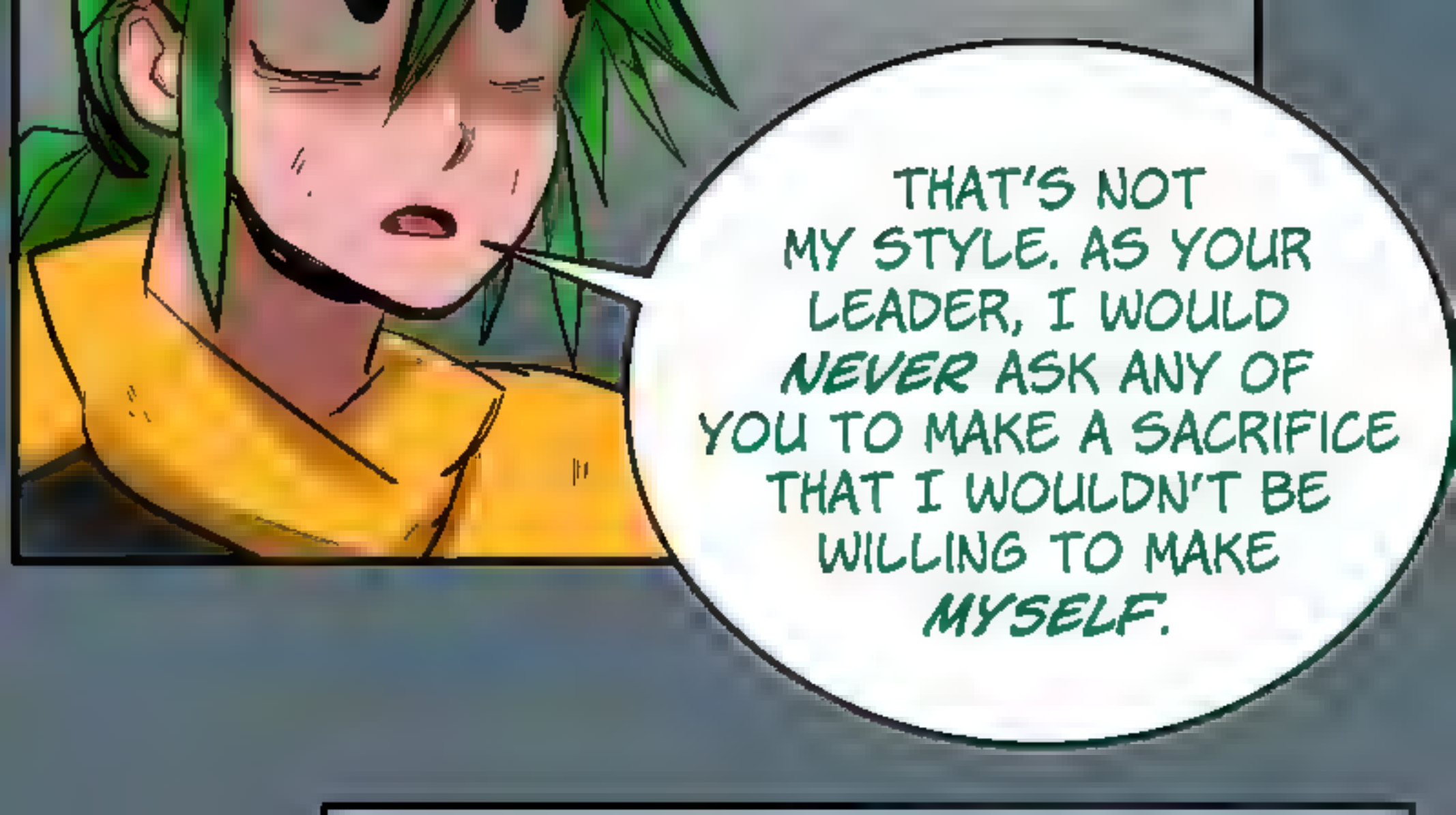
AND
WHAT ARE YOU?
INVINCIBLE?

I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON WITH YOU LATELY...

YOU
ACT LIKE IT
DOESN'T MATTER
IF YOU DIE.


BUT YOU
ARE OUR LEADER,
WHICH MEANS YOU'RE THE
LEAST EXPENDABLE
PERSON HERE.

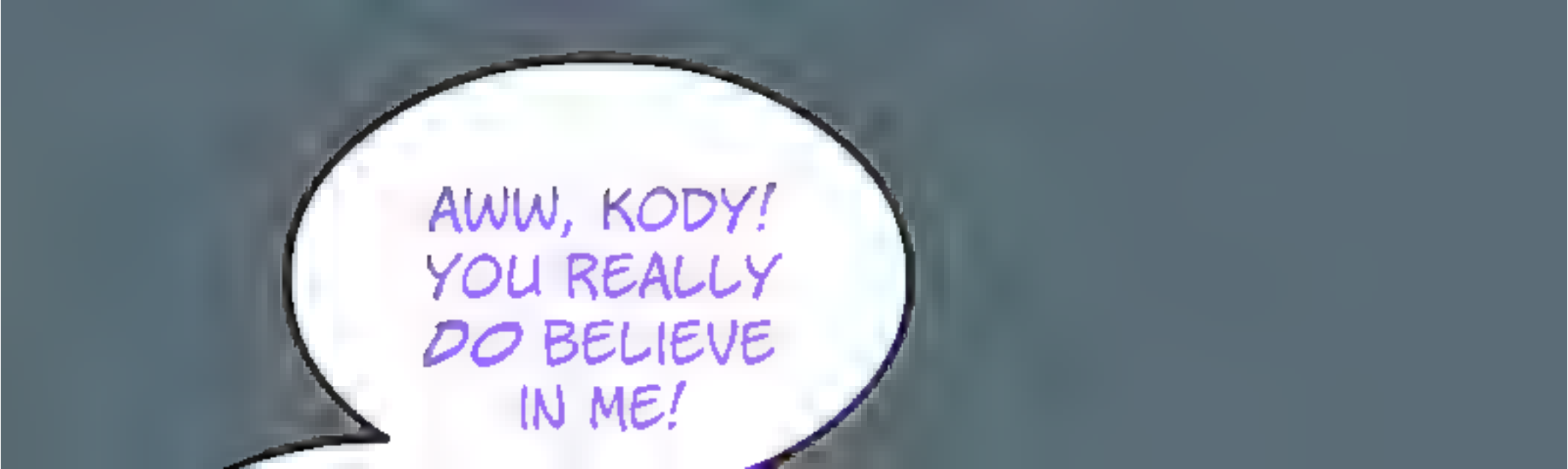
I'VE BEEN SOLDIER... AND I KNOW THAT AS YOUR SUBORDINATES, WE SHOULD *NEVER* ALLOW YOU TO TAKE THOSE KIND OF RISKS.


THAT'S NOT MY STYLE. AS YOUR LEADER, I WOULD NEVER ASK ANY OF YOU TO MAKE A SACRIFICE THAT I WOULDN'T BE WILLING TO MAKE MYSELF.

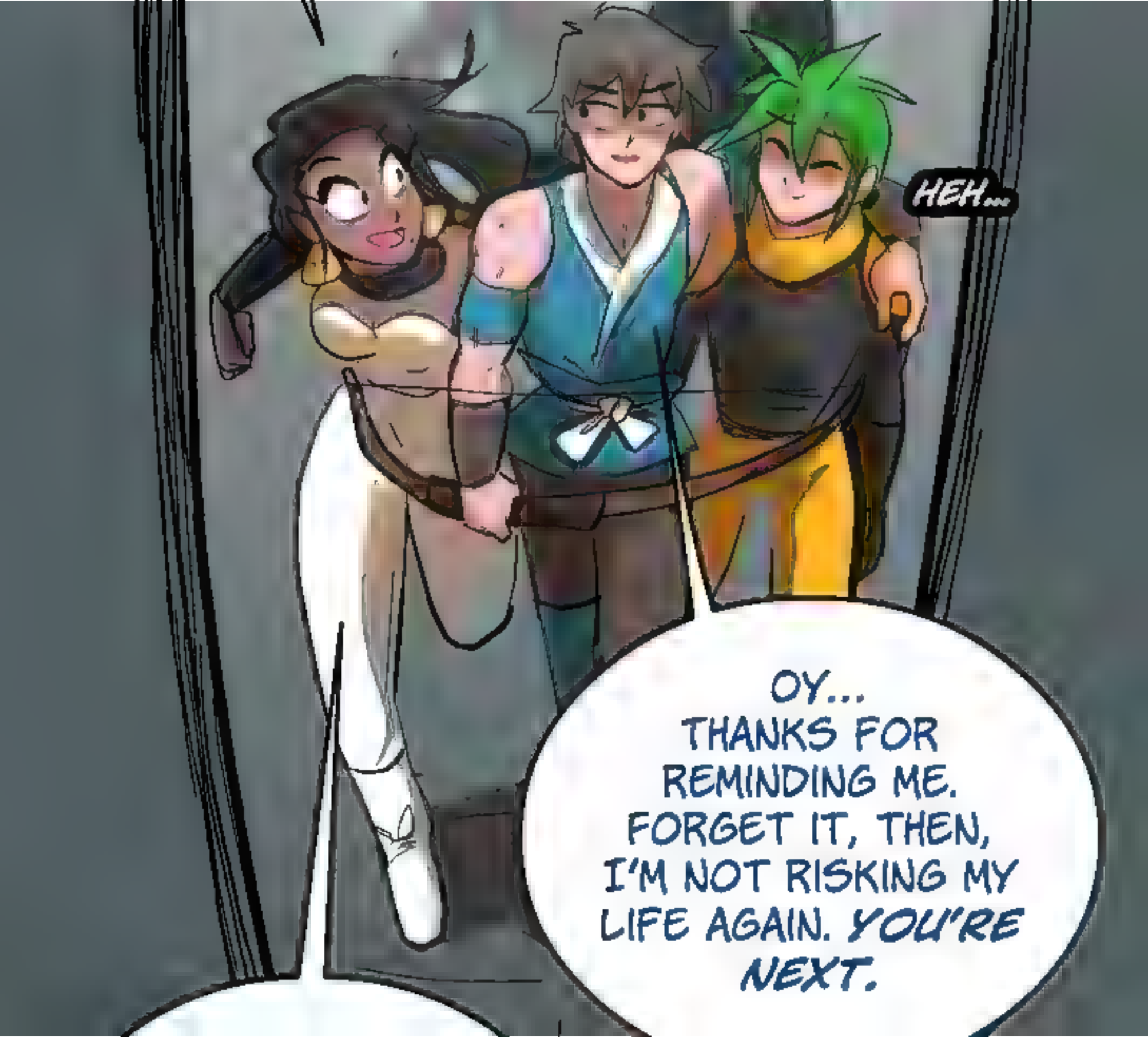
I KNOW.
SO NOW YOU DON'T *HAVE* TO ASK.

NEPHTHYS AND I WILL HANDLE IT FROM HERE. RIGHT NEPH?

TH-THAT'S RIGHT!!


AWW, KODY!
YOU REALLY
DO BELIEVE
IN ME!

EVEN AFTER ALL THOSE TIMES YOU HELPED ME TRAIN AND COULDN'T GUESS YOUR CARD!


HEH...
OY... THANKS FOR REMINDING ME. FORGET IT, THEN, I'M NOT RISKING MY LIFE AGAIN. YOU'RE NEXT.

HAHA,
NO WAY! YOU'RE NEXT. I'LL TELL YOU WHERE TO SHOOT!

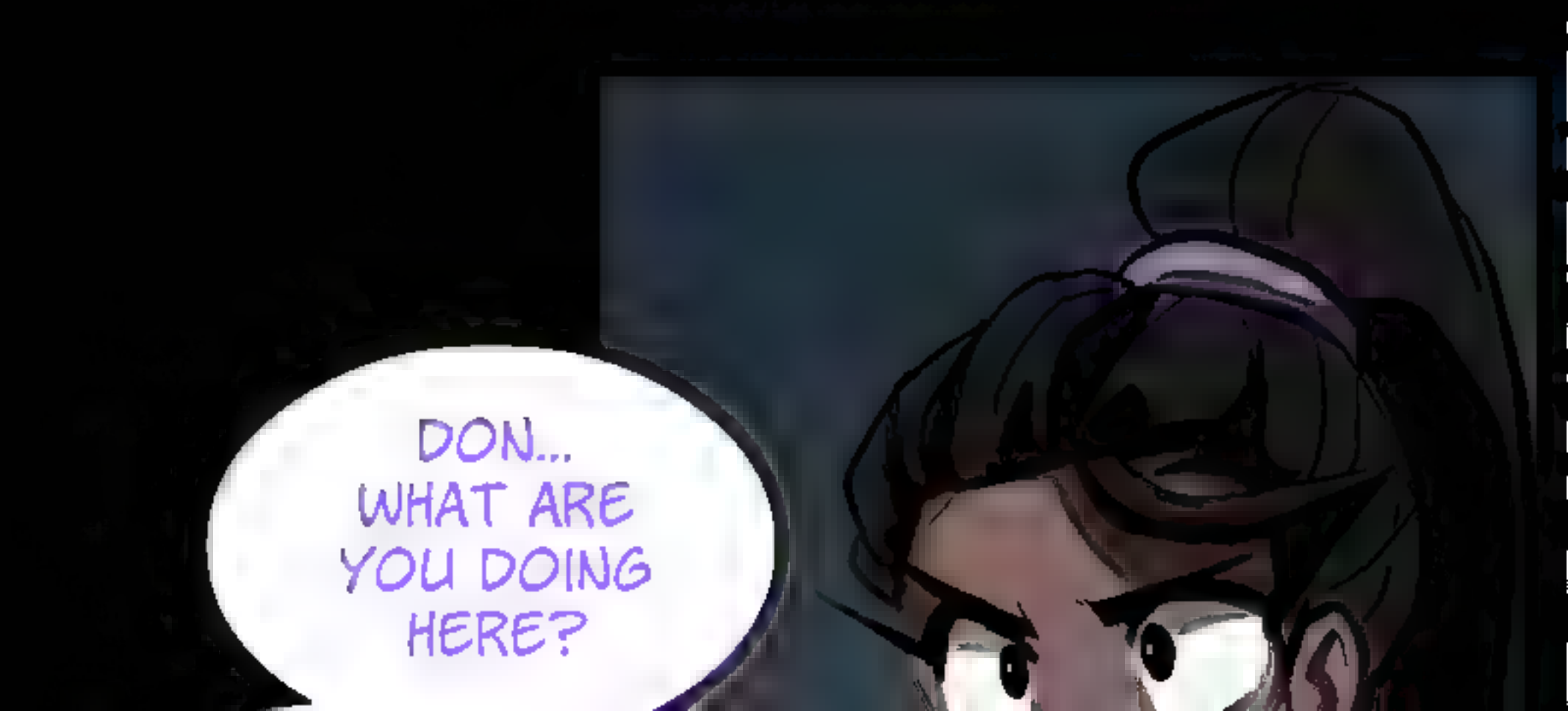
PRESENT

KODY'S BODY IS GONE...

WHY
DIDN'T I SENSE
THAT HE WAS
IN DANGER!?

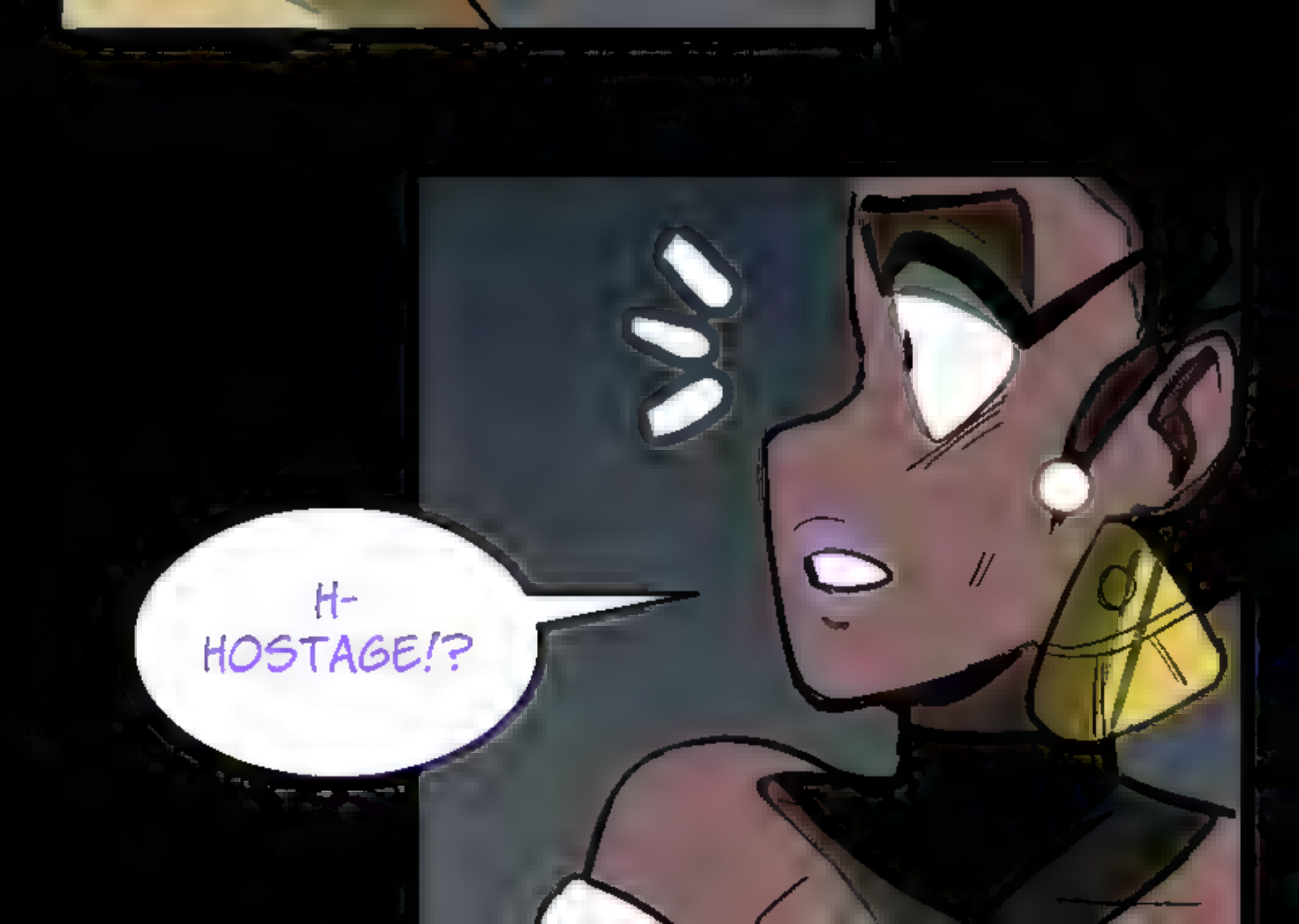
OYE, NEPHTHYS...

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING?


DON...
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
HERE?

...DO YOU KNOW WHERE KODY IS?

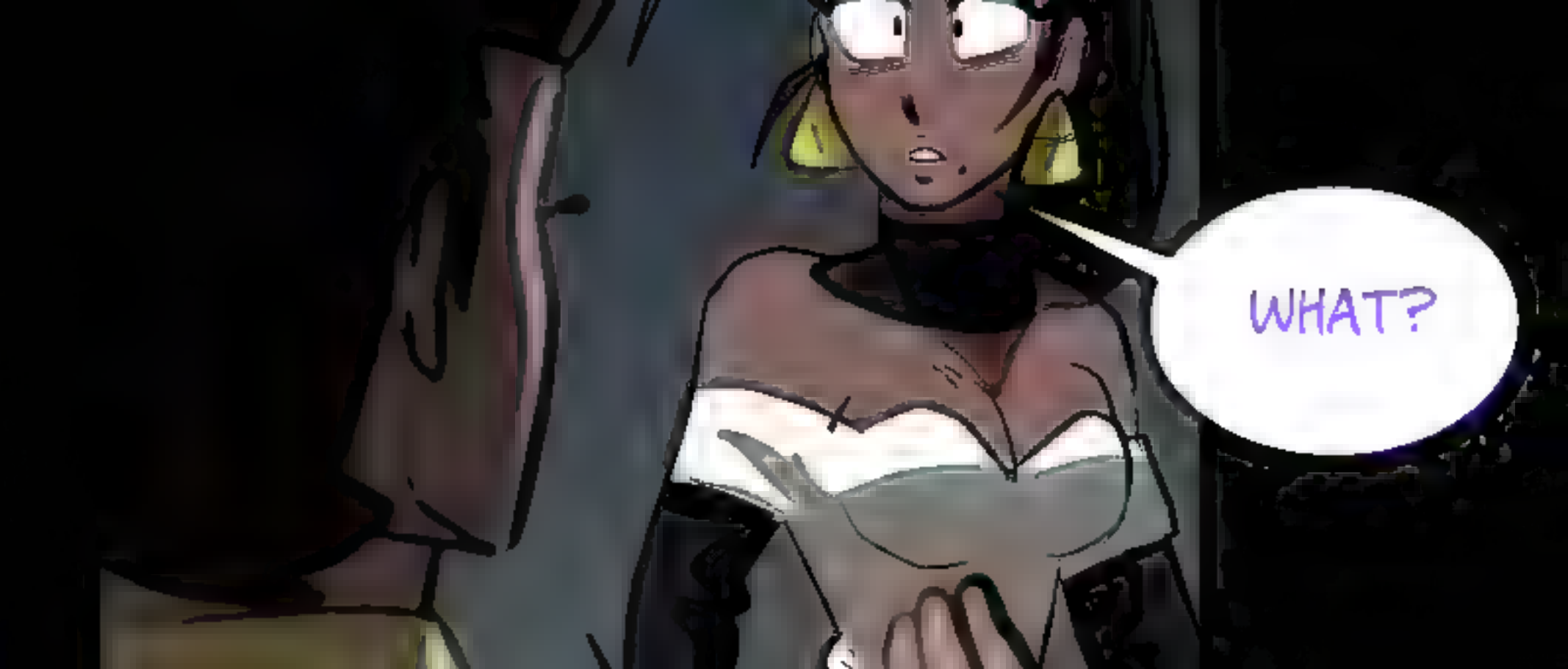
OF
COURSE.
I'VE TAKEN HIM
HOSTAGE.


H-
HOSTAGE!?

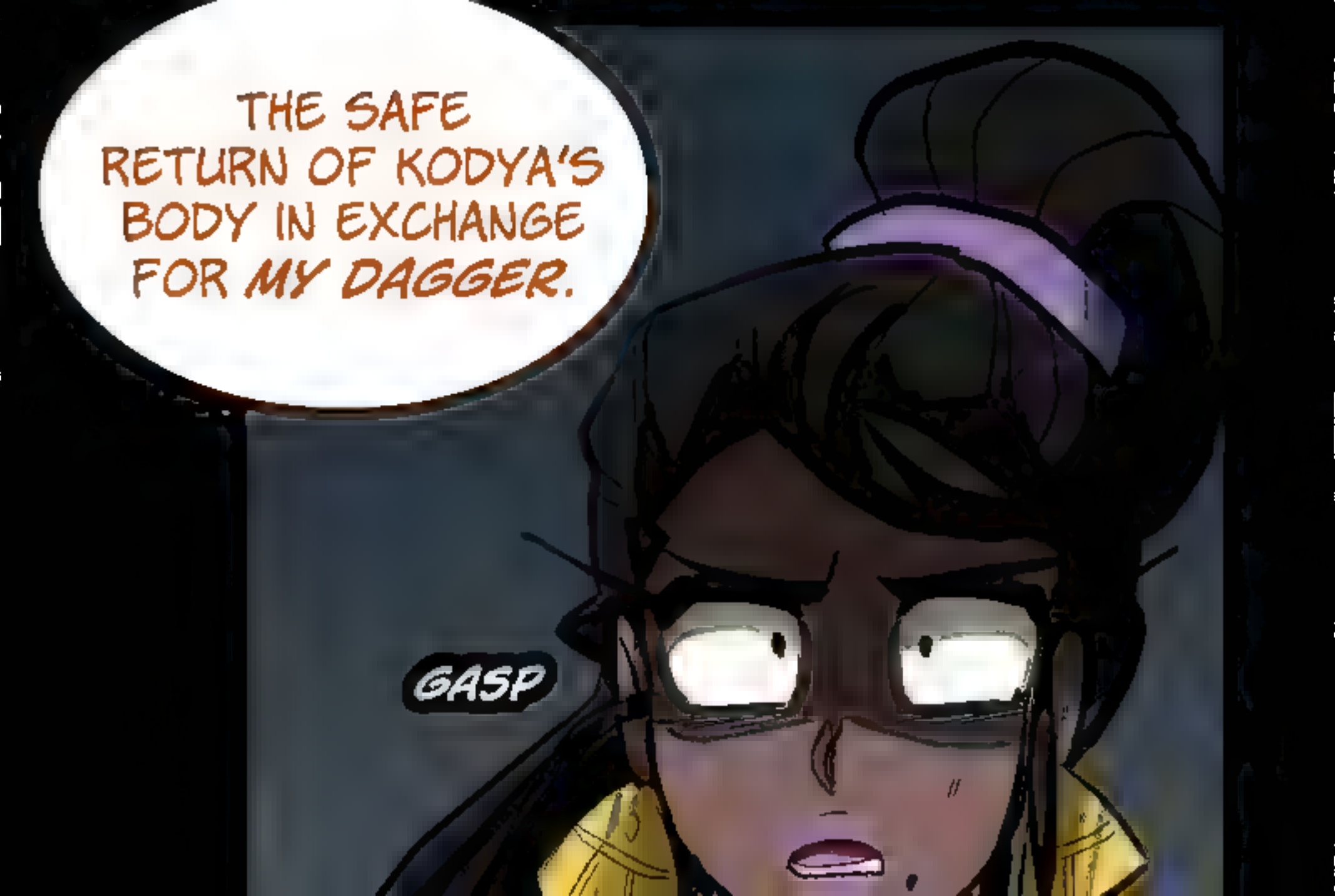
DON'T WORRY... HE'S PERFECTLY SAFE.
...FOR NOW.

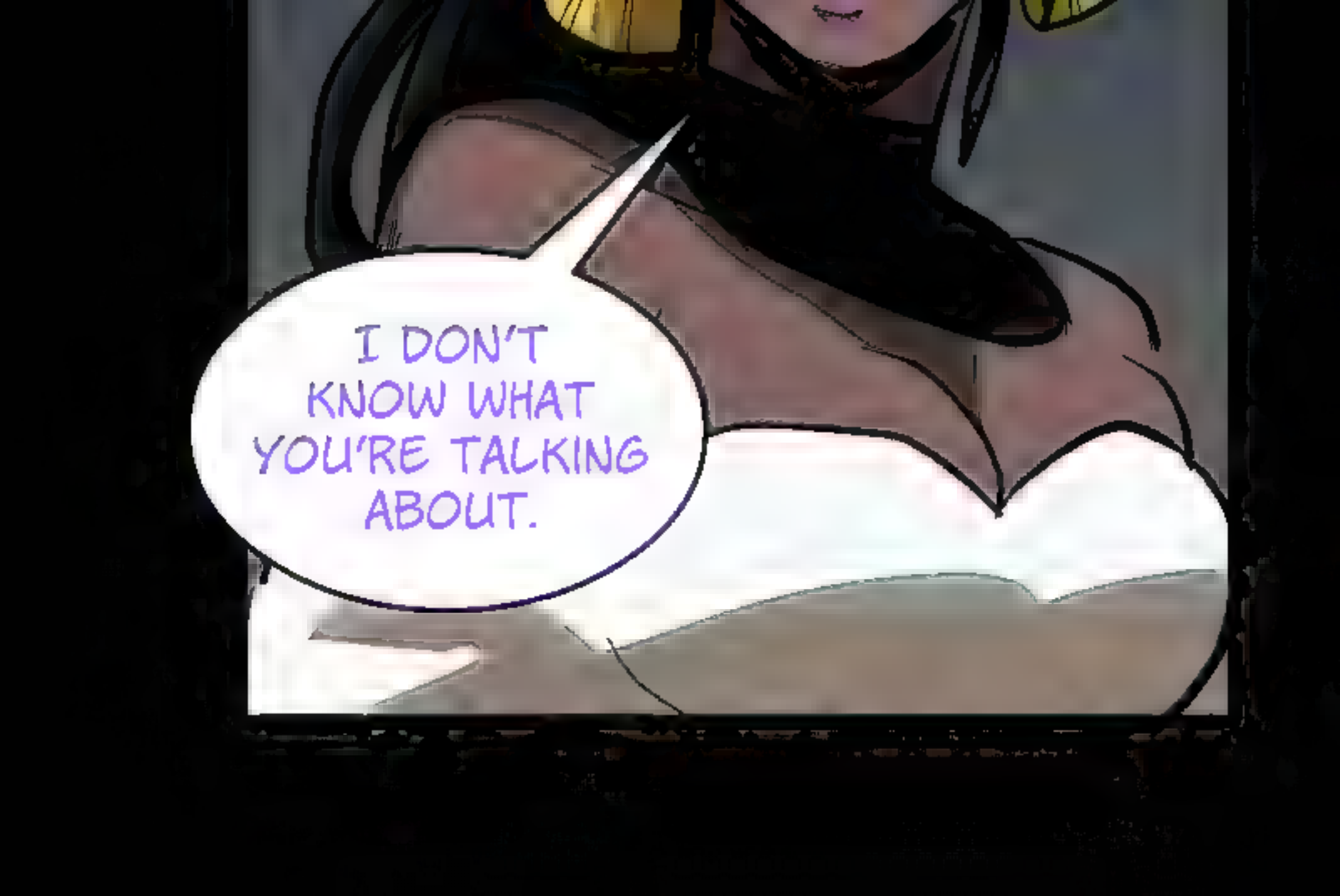
DON'T
YOU DARE
HURT HIM!

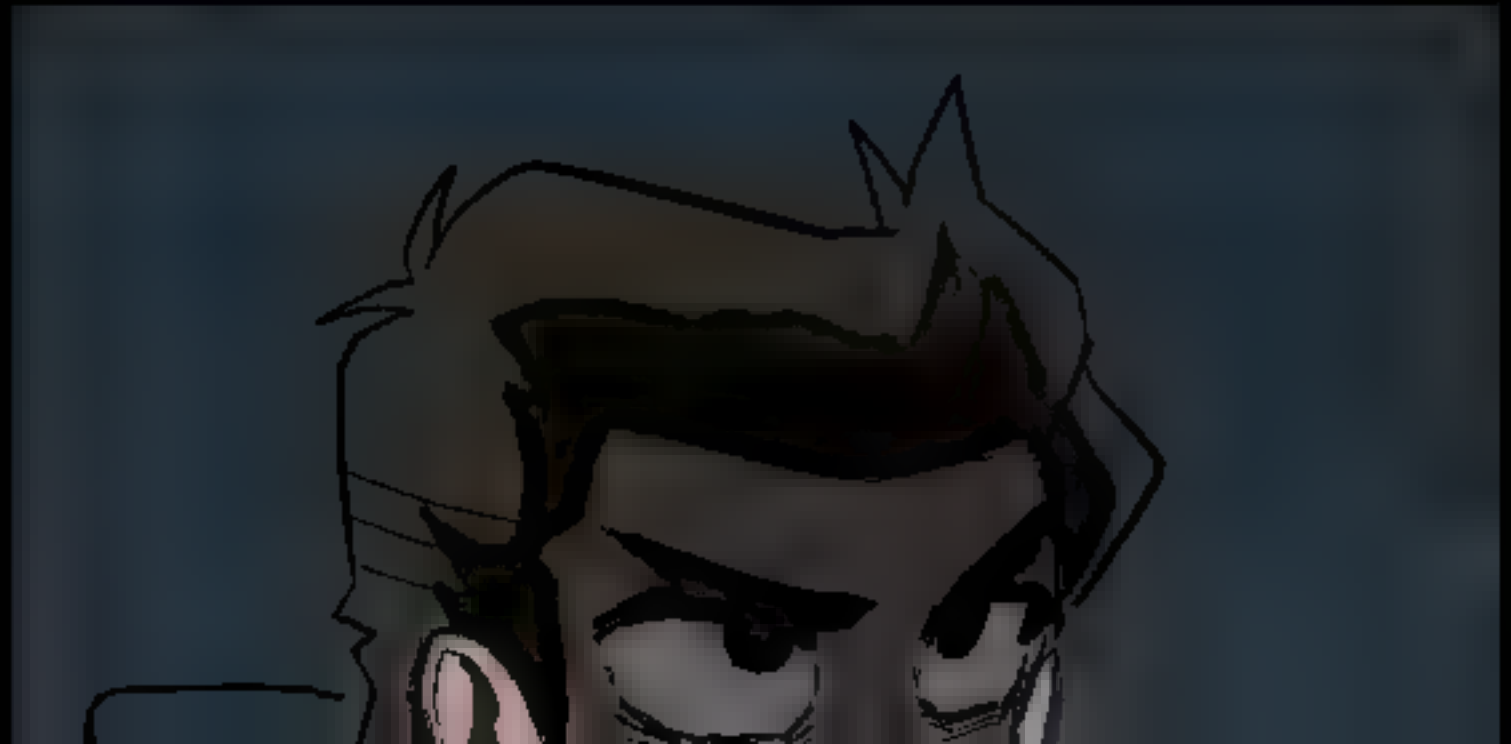
THAT ALL DEPENDS ON YOU, NEPHTHYS.


WHAT?

I HAVE SOMETHING YOU WANT, AND YOU HAVE SOMETHING I WANT. LET'S MAKE A SIMPLE TRADE.


THE SAFE RETURN OF KODYA'S BODY IN EXCHANGE FOR MY DAGGER.
GASP


I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.

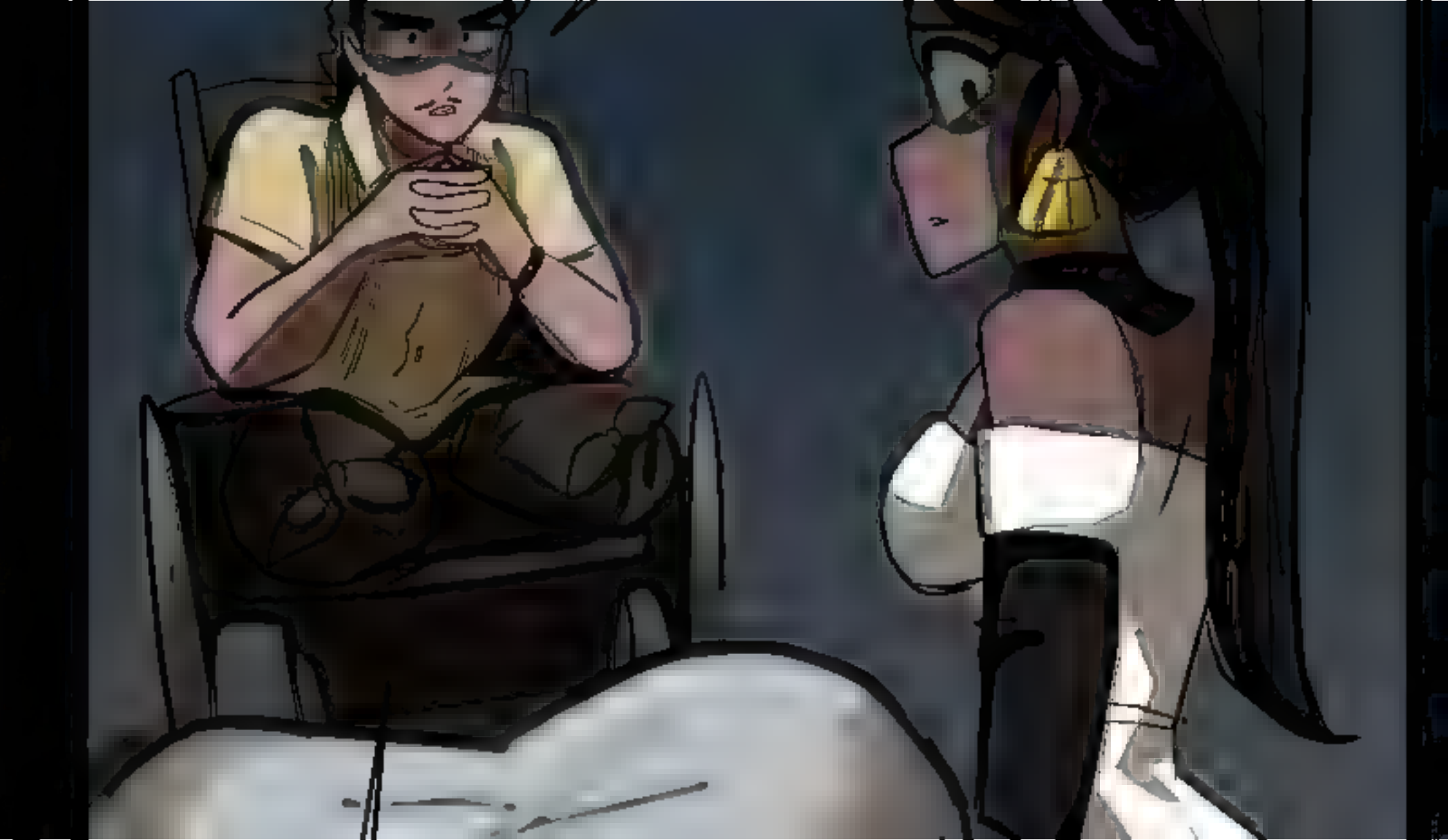


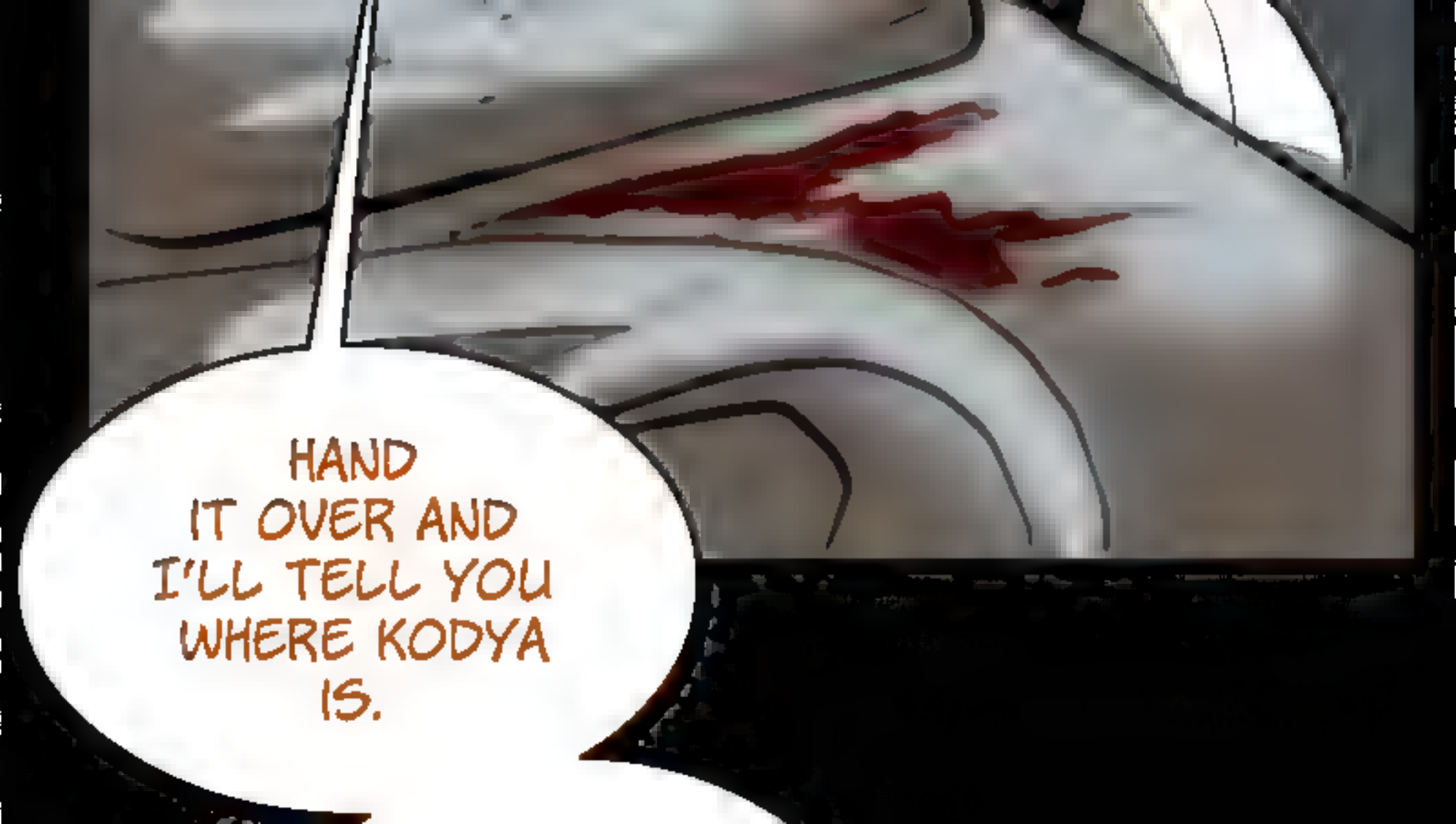
SIGH
I'M ONLY GOING TO SAY THIS ONCE, NEPHTHYS: DO NOT INSULT MY INTELLIGENCE.

DO YOU THINK
I WOULD COME HERE,
REVEAL MYSELF TO YOU...
TELL YOU ABOUT MY
DAGGER...

IF I WERE
NOT CERTAIN
THAT YOU HAVE
IT?

NOW
LET'S TRY
AGAIN.




HAND IT OVER AND I'LL TELL YOU WHERE KODYA IS.

I'LL EVEN LET YOU IN ON ANOTHER LITTLE SECRET HE'S BEEN KEEPING LATELY...
I THINK THAT'S VERY GENEROUS, DON'T YOU?

...I
CAN'T.

I ALREADY GOT RID OF THE DAGGER.
I'M DISAPPOINTED, NEPHTHYS.

I WANTED TO DO THIS NICELY; I MADE YOU VERY FAIR OFFER... BUT IT'S CLEAR THAT I CAN'T TRUST YOU.

YOU
GIVE ME NO
CHOICE.

JUST
REMEMBER...

YOU BROUGHT ME
OUT HERE—

YOU AND

TAK
TAK

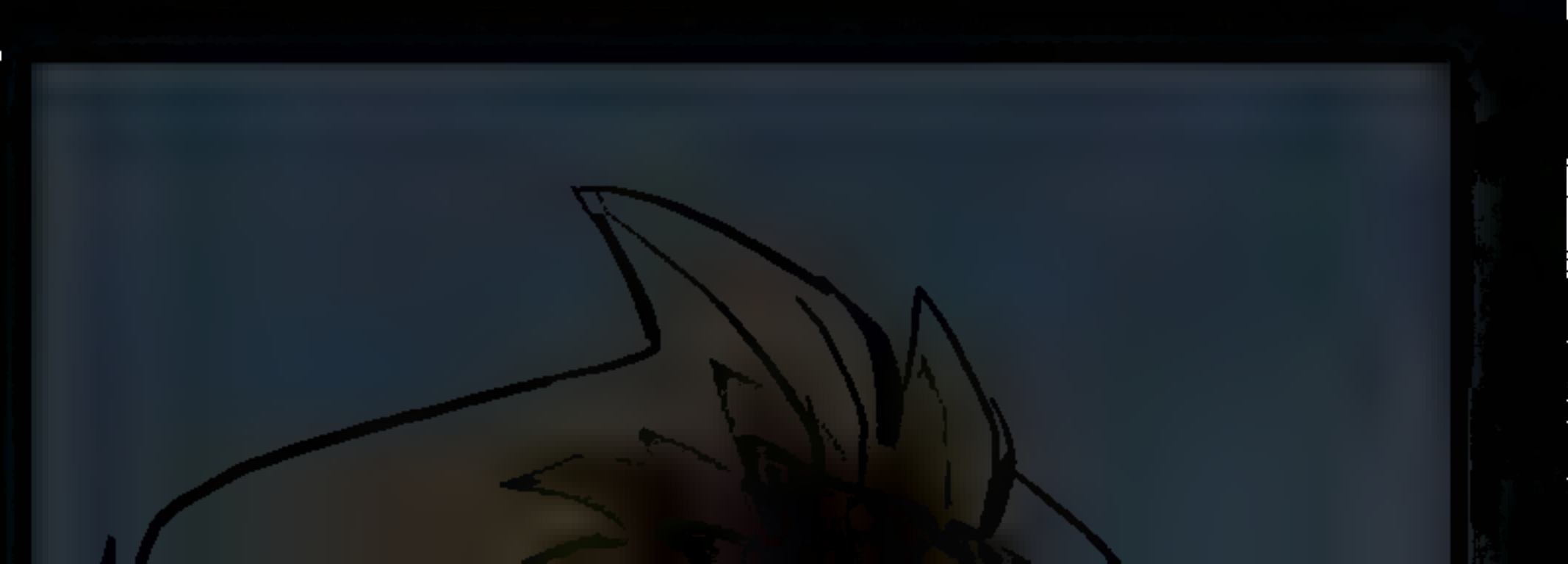
TAK

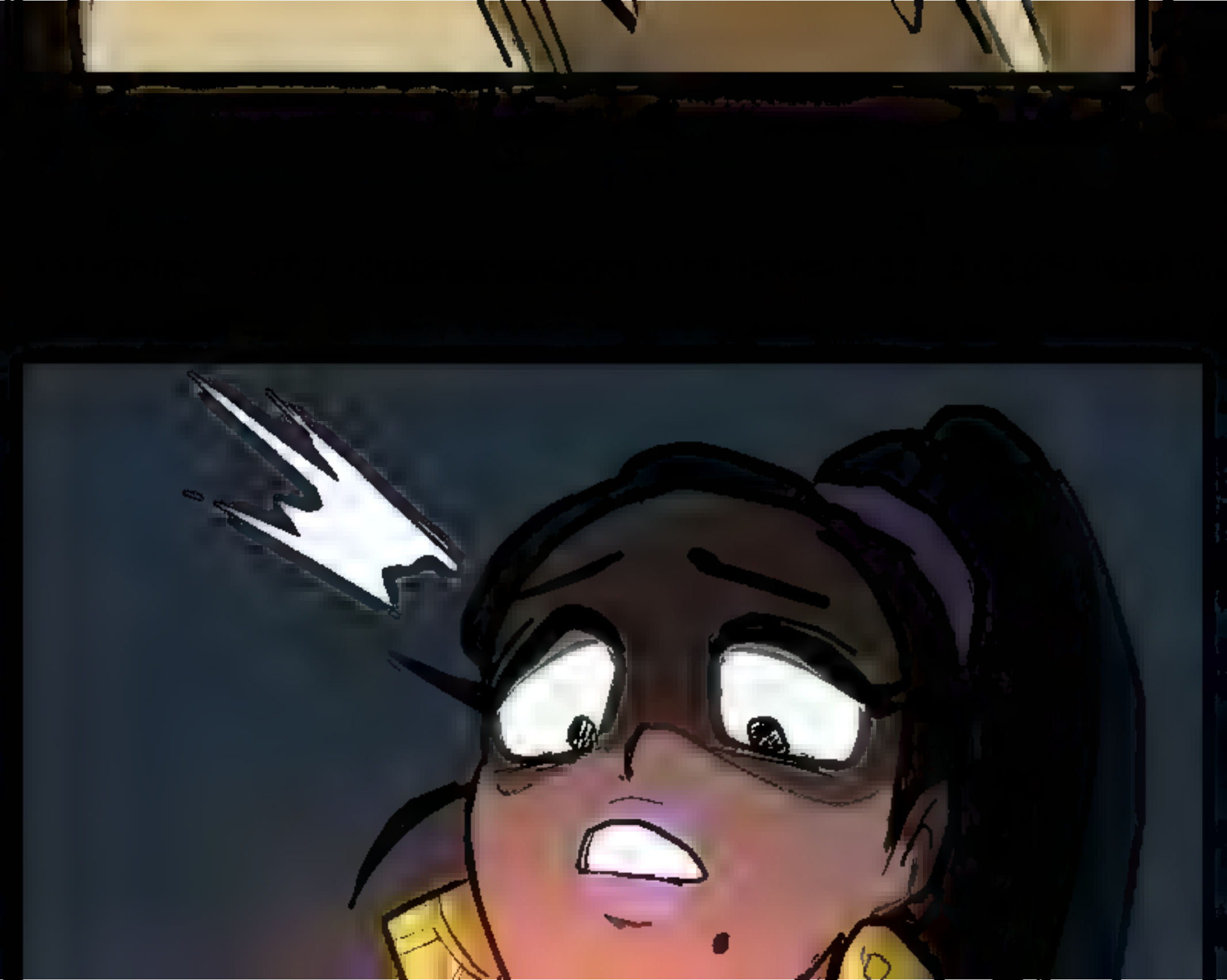
THE DOORS! THEY'RE GONE!!
EXIT

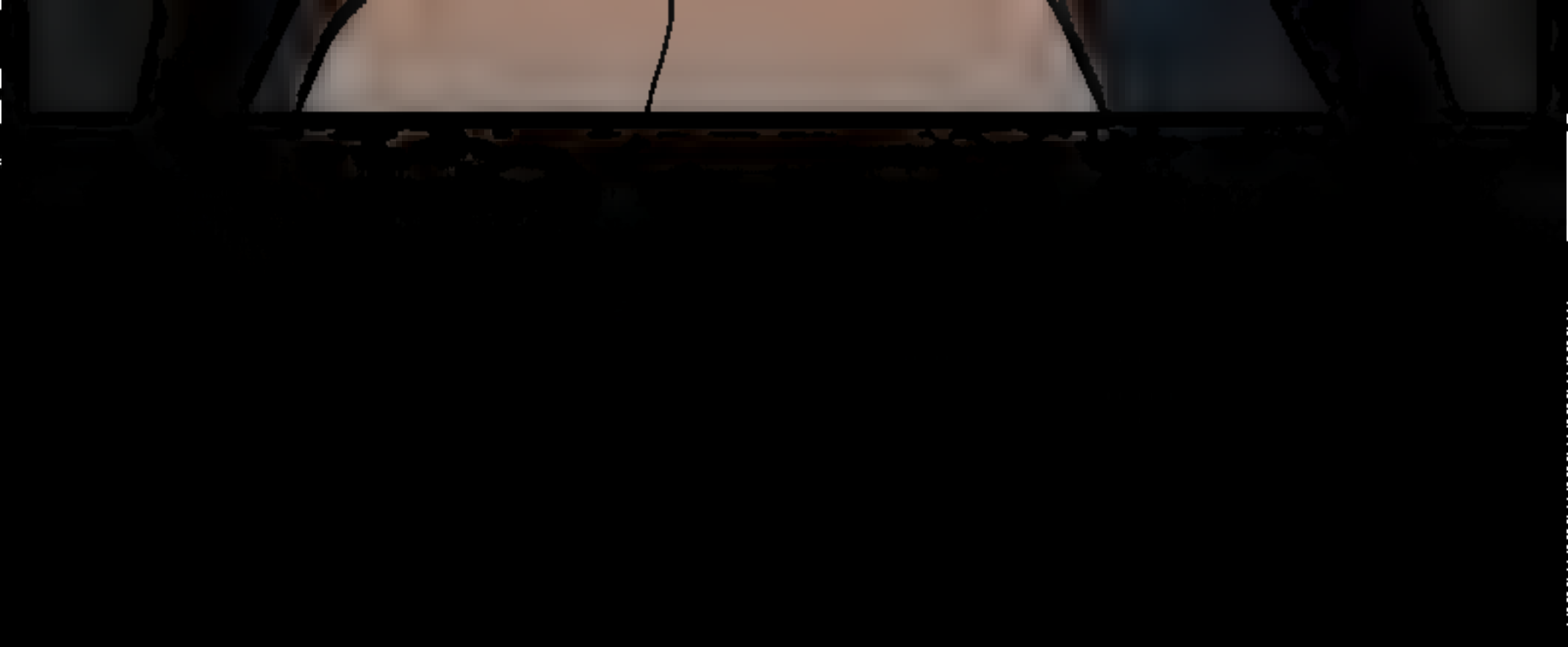
BANG
BANG

NO
LEFT
REAR
SIDE
REAR

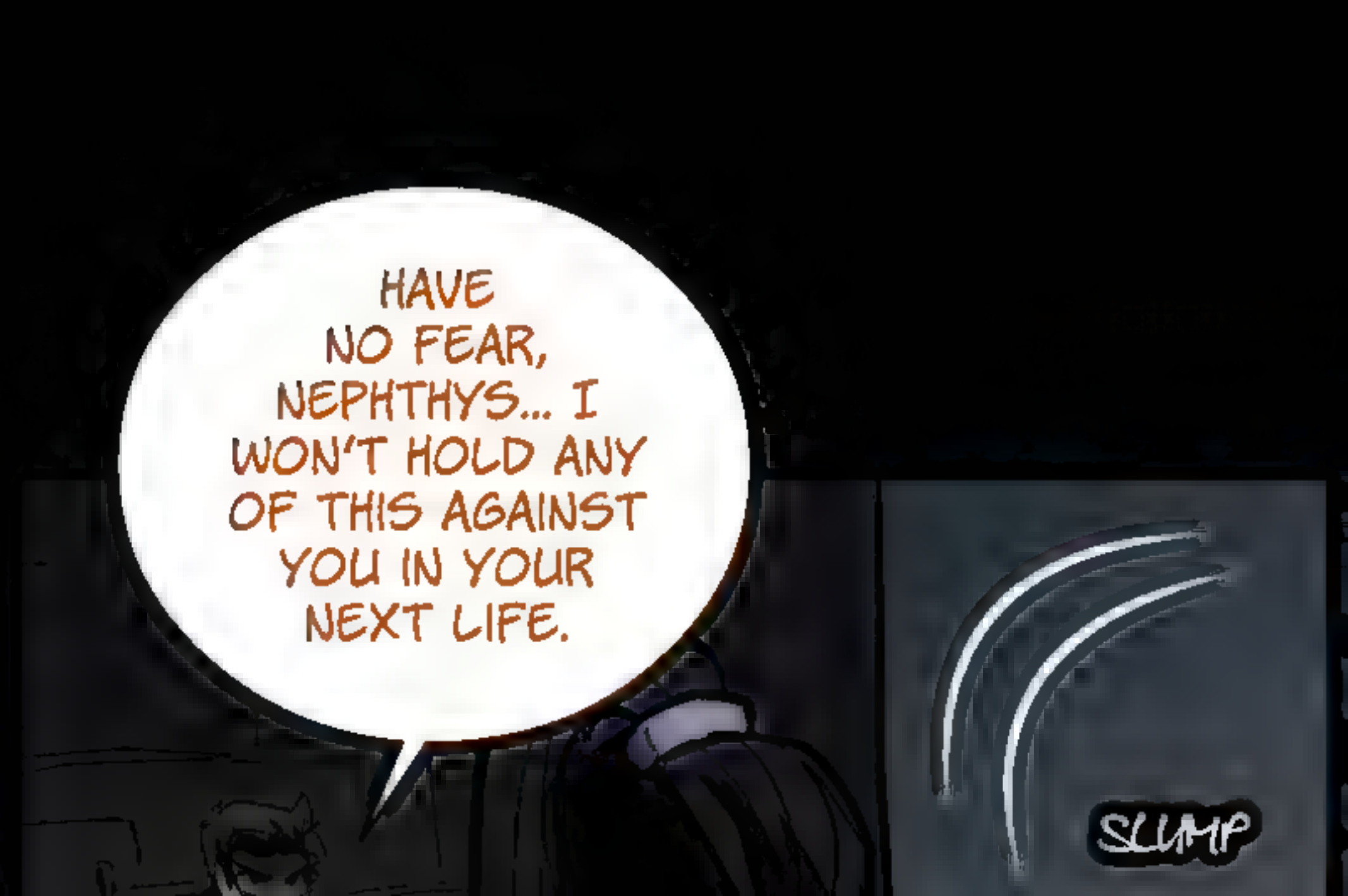
NO!!

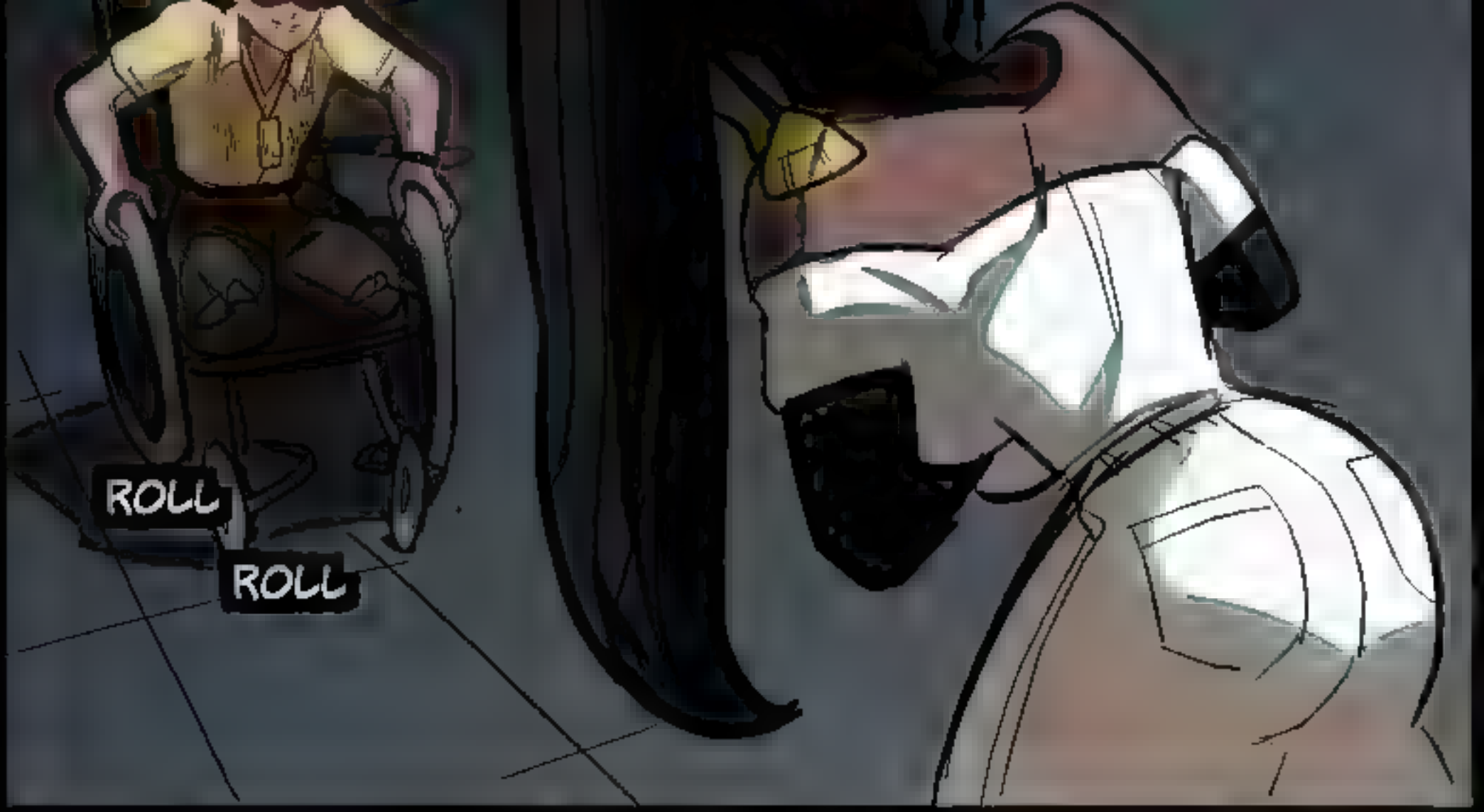






AAAH!!


HAVE NO FEAR, NEPHTHYS... I WON'T HOLD ANY OF THIS AGAINST YOU IN YOUR NEXT LIFE.
SLUMP


ROLL
ROLL

EY?!

I TOLD YOU...

THE DAGGER ISN'T HERE.

AND
YOU'LL NEVER
FIND IT!

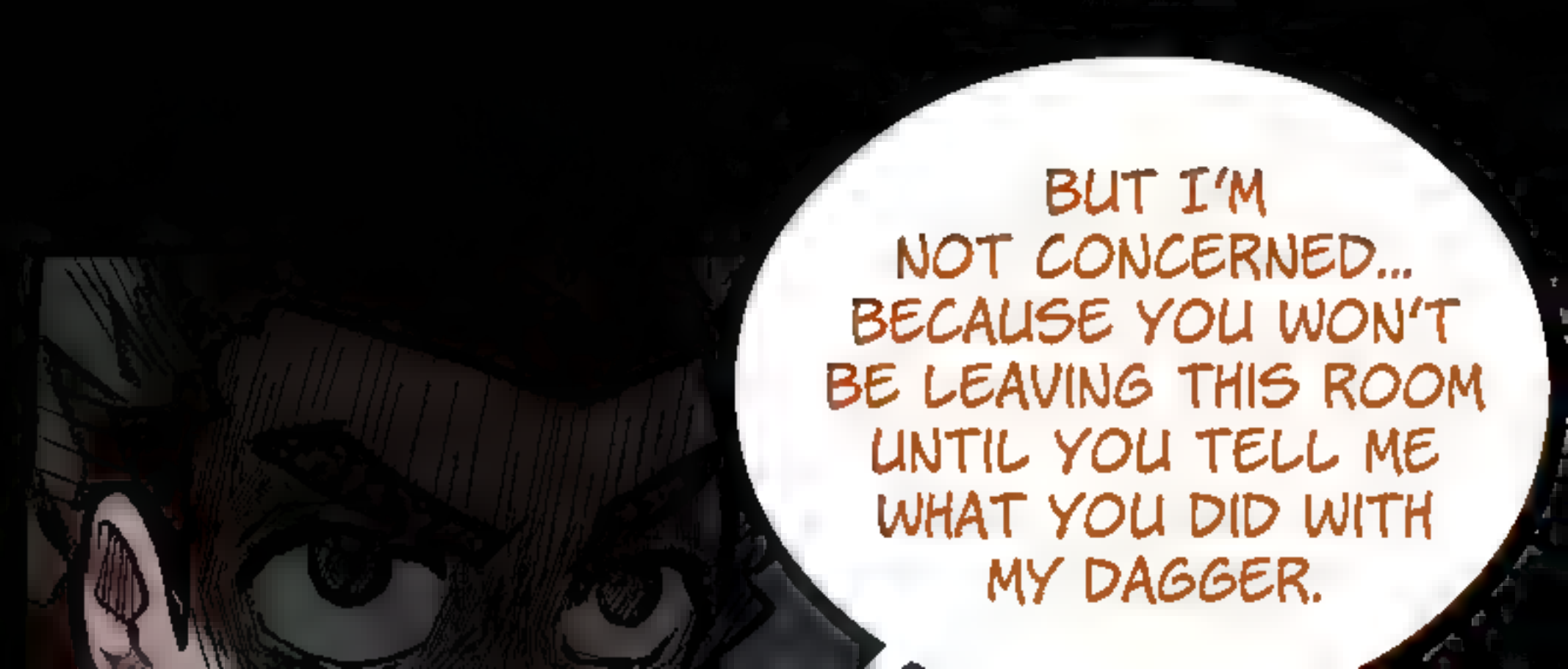
RRRGGH!!

SEETHE
TENSE

GRIP

RELAX
WELL DONE, NEPHTHYS...

IT APPEARS YOU AND KODYA HAVE MANAGED TO DECEIVE ME.


BUT I'M NOT CONCERNED... BECAUSE YOU WON'T BE LEAVING THIS ROOM UNTIL YOU TELL ME WHAT YOU DID WITH MY DAGGER.

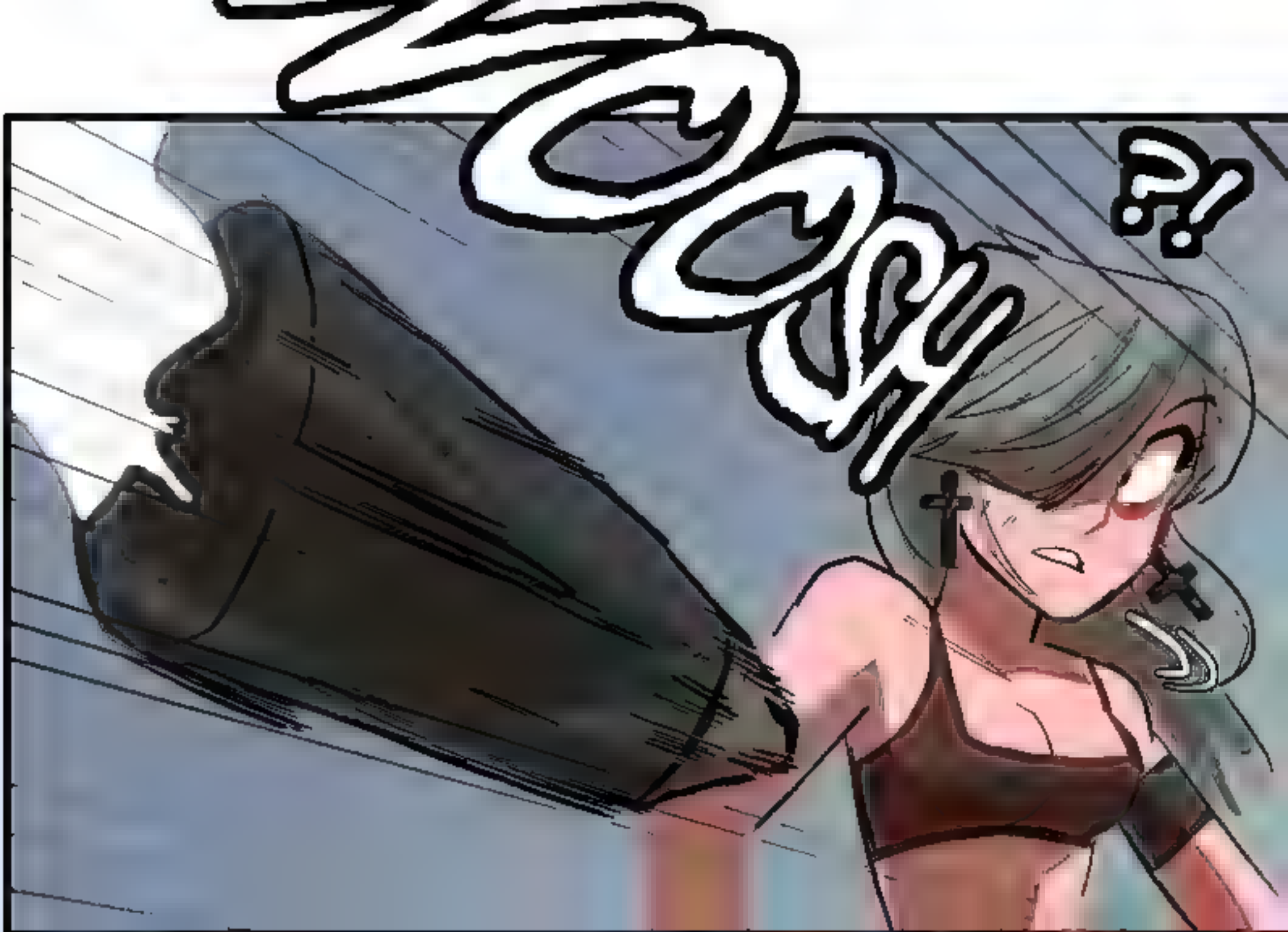
FOR YOUR SAKE, I HOPE THERE'S A WAY TO MAKE YOU TALK

HUMMM

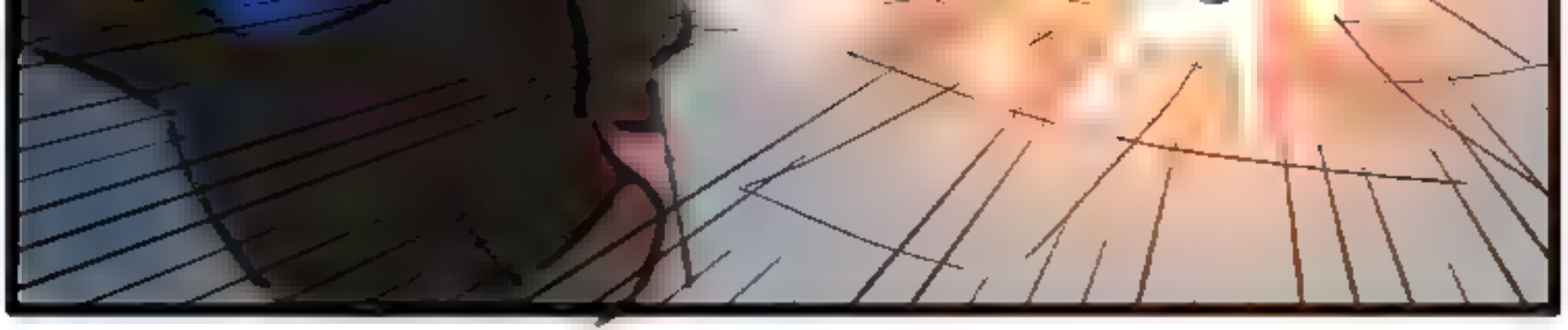
TURN

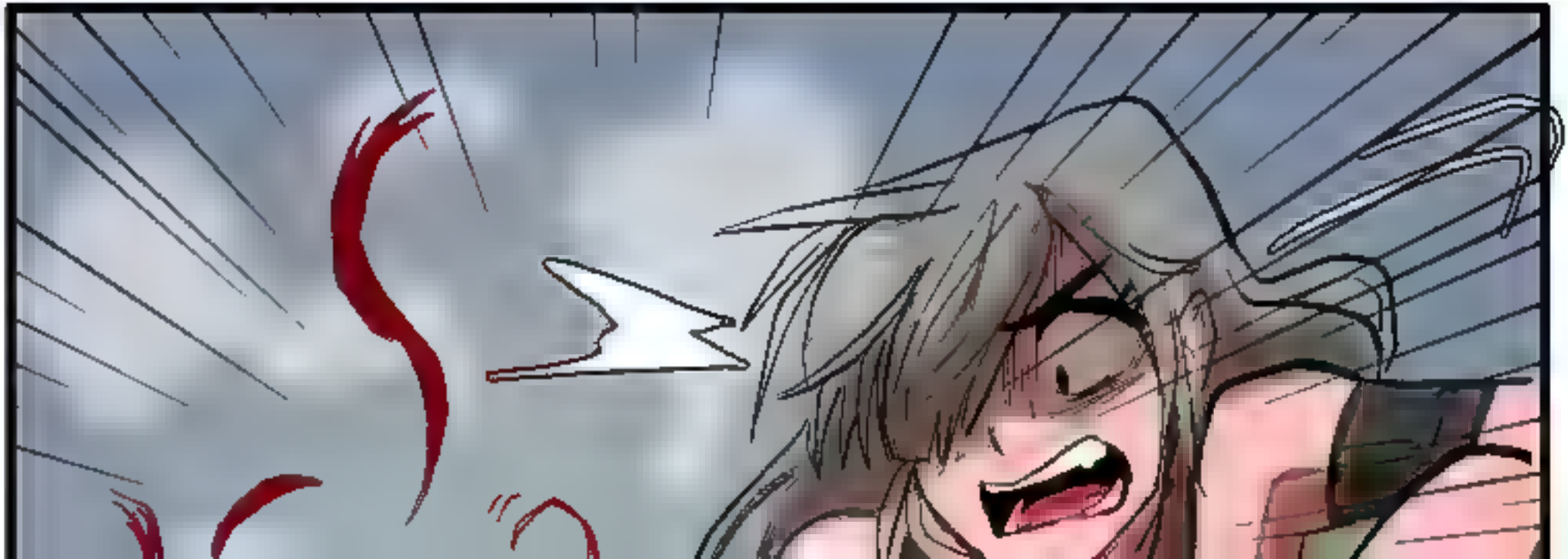
THAT WAS DON'S HARMONICA! HAS HE RUN INTO INTRUDERS TOO?!

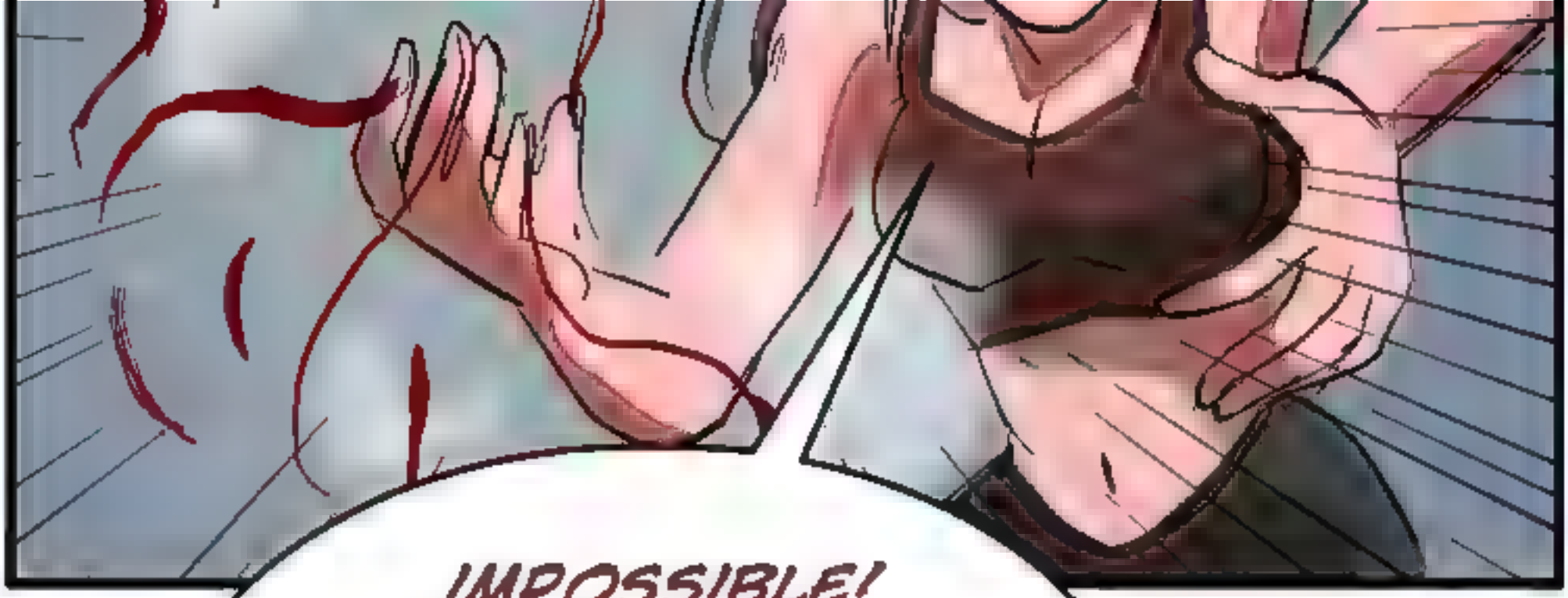
I BETTER TAKE THESE PRISONERS AND GO HELP--


WOOSH
?!

cough
cough



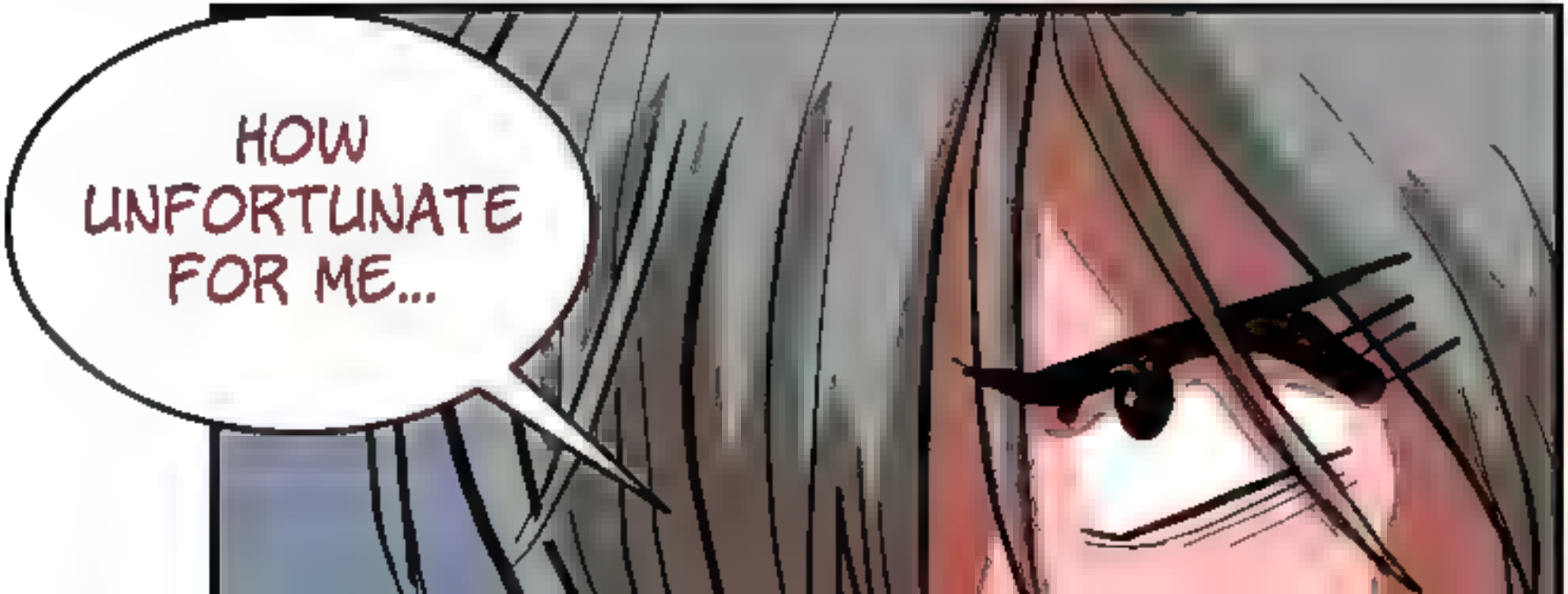




IMPOSSIBLE!
NO ONE CAN BREAK THROUGH MY BLOOD BONDS WITHOUT DYING FROM BLOOD LOSS!

YEAH, WELL, FUNNY THING. I'M AN ANDROID AND WE DON'T ACTUALLY HAVE REAL BLOOD.

I MEAN,
IT'S SIMILAR,
BUT IT'S MOSTLY
JUST A PERK TO
KEEP ME WARM
AND CUDDLY.

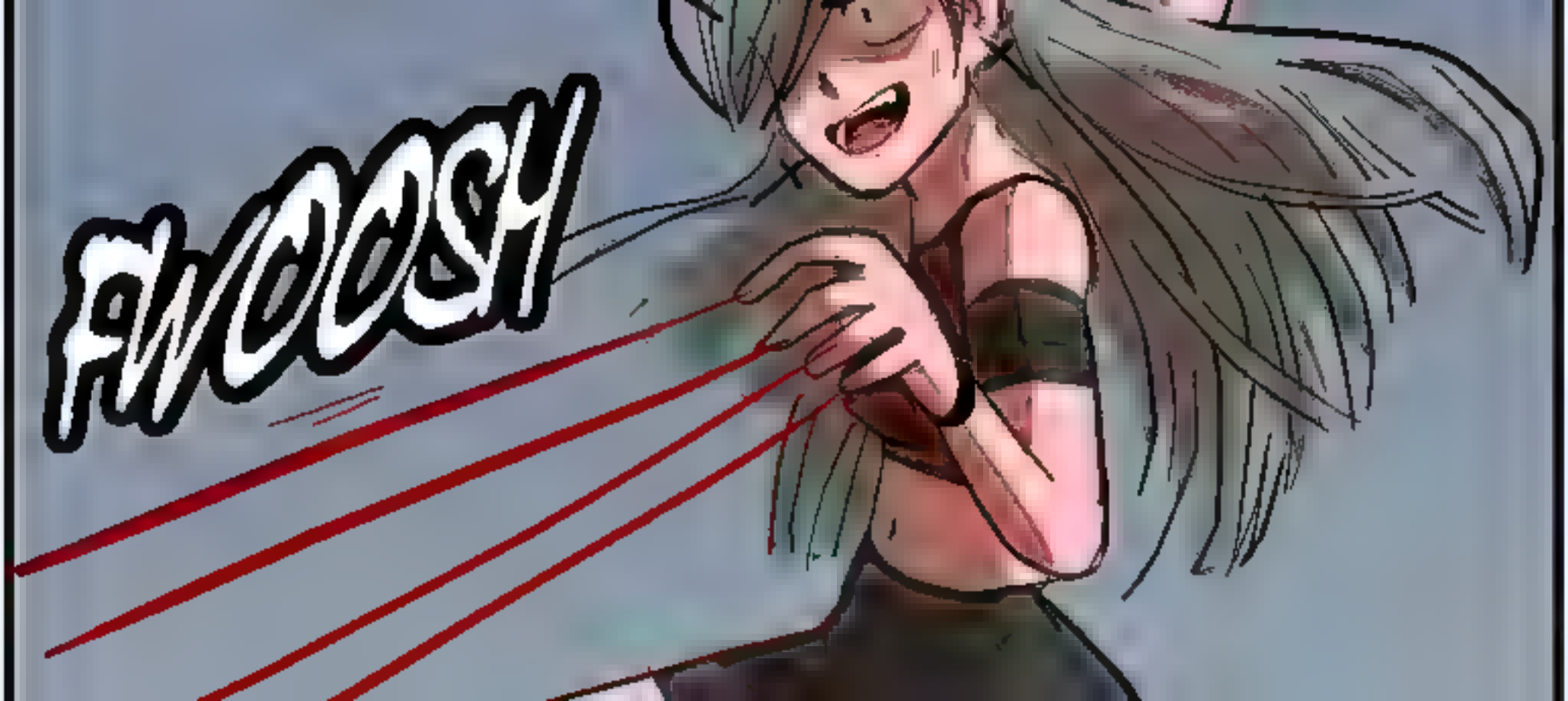

HOW UNFORTUNATE FOR ME...

AND ARE ALL OF YOU ANDROIDS?

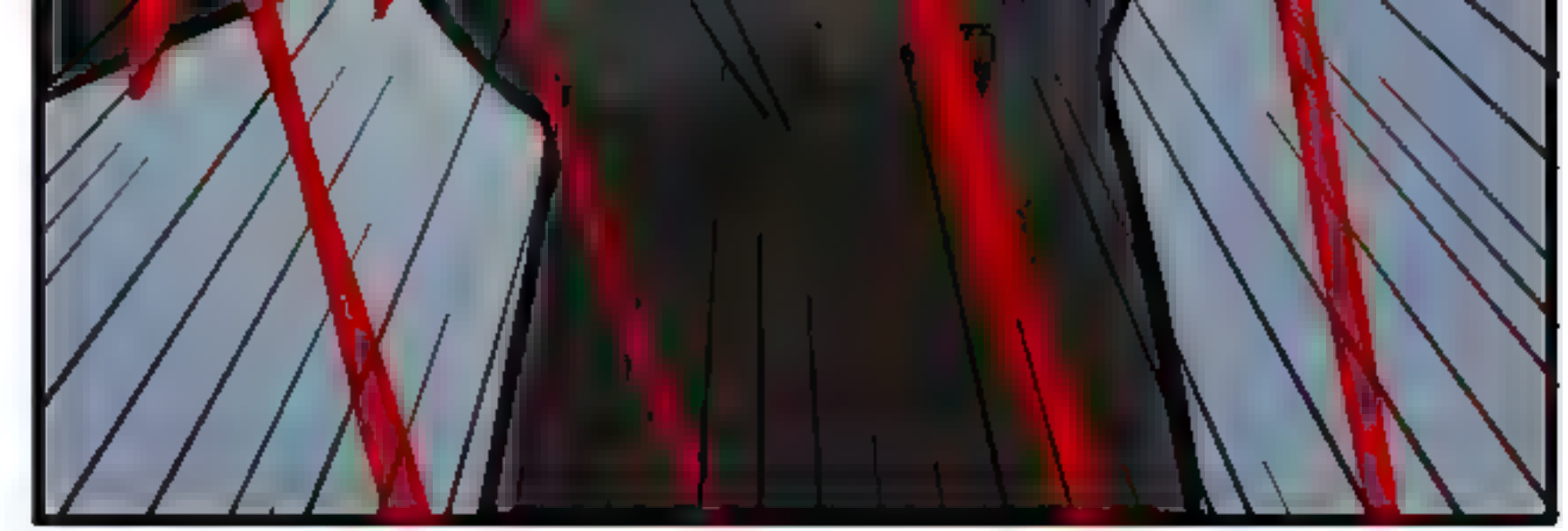
NO.

WE
SURE ARE--
KNOX!!!

WELL
THEN YOU SHOULD
HAVE KILLED ME WHEN
YOU HAD THE
CHANCE!


FWOOSH

AAAGGHH!!

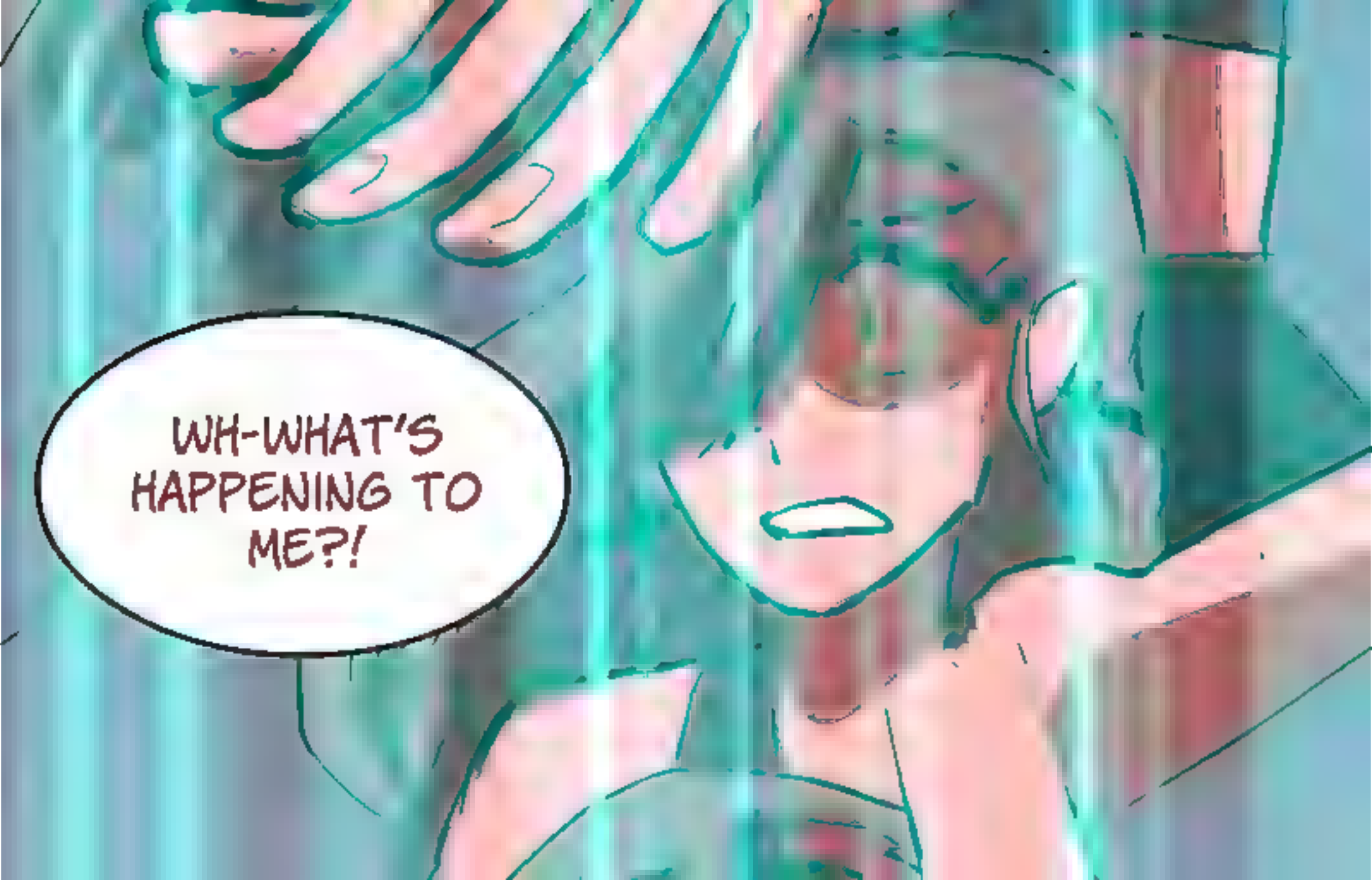


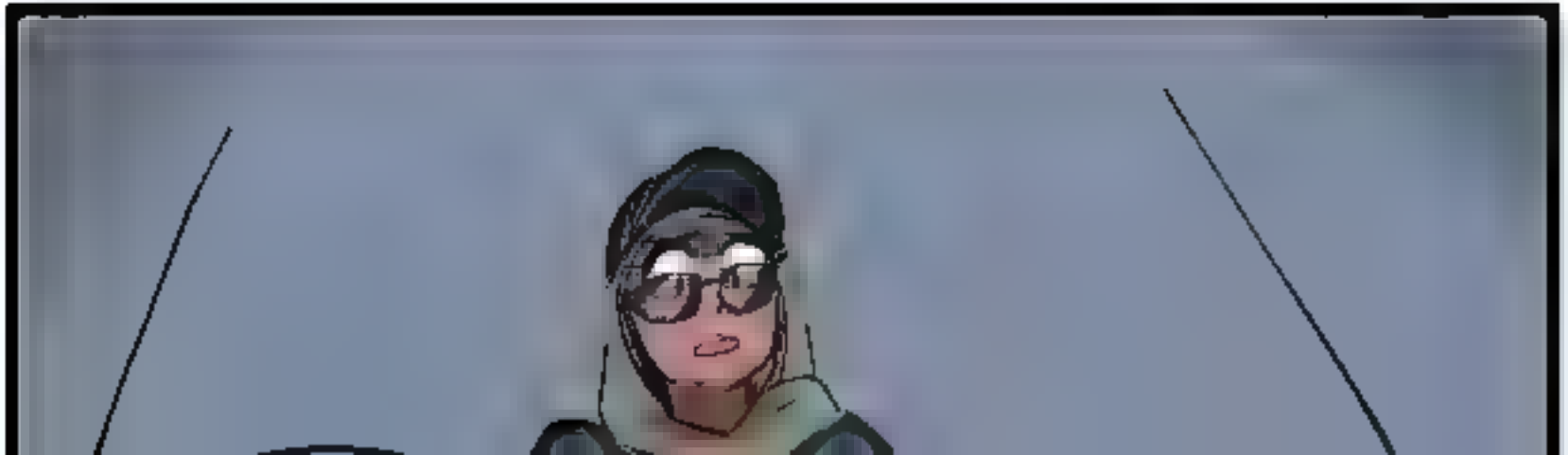
VELA!!

CAREFUL, YOU'LL BREAK A NAIL!

OOPS,
TOO LATE.

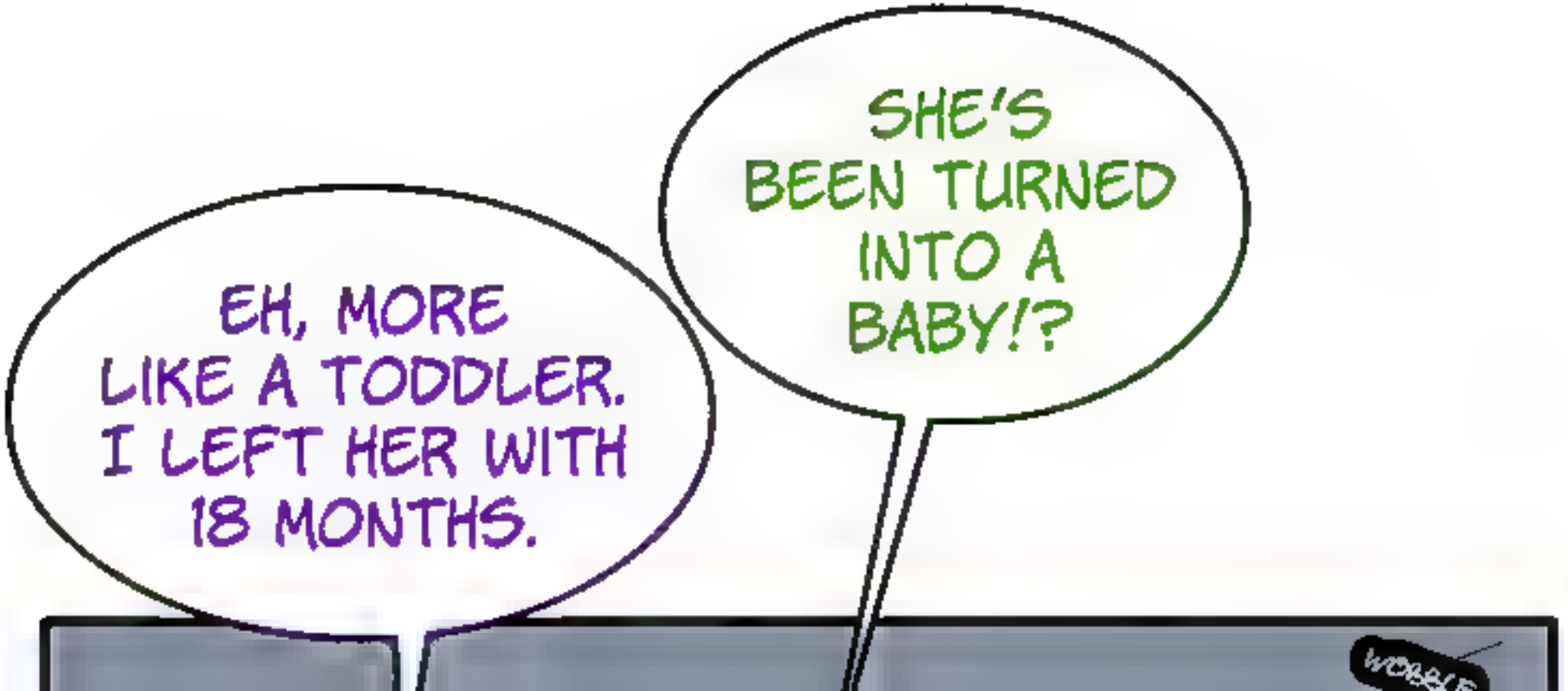
TWIRL
GUESS WE BETTER BACK UP A BIT!

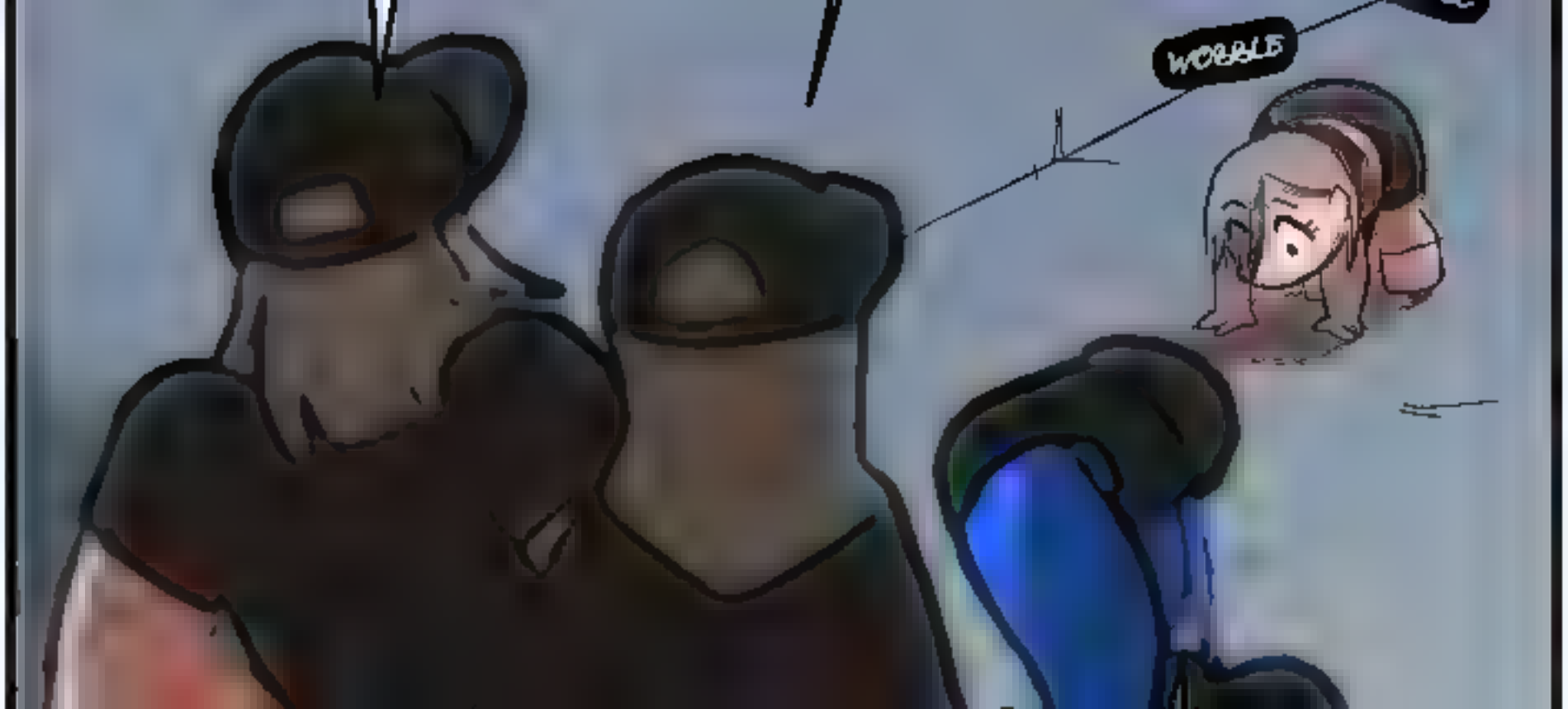

WH-WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME?!



...GAGA?

OH,
MAN!


SHE'S BEEN TURNED INTO A BABY!?
EH, MORE LIKE A TODDLER. I LEFT HER WITH 18 MONTHS.
WOBBLE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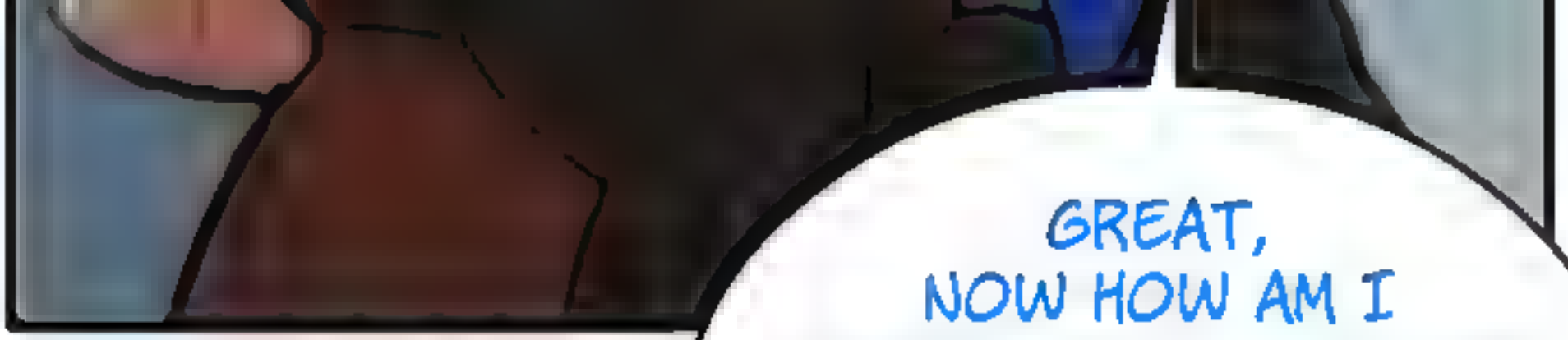
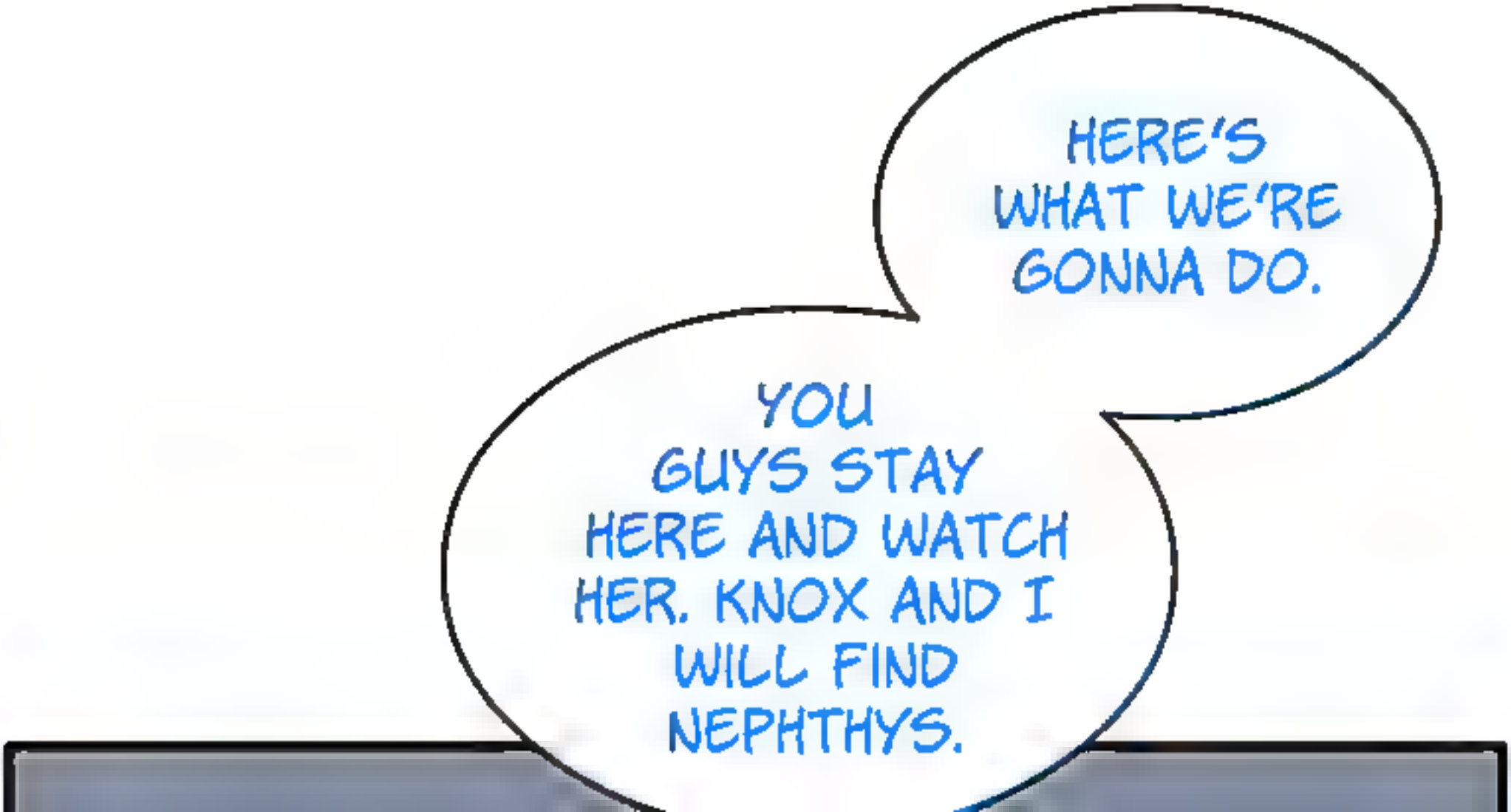


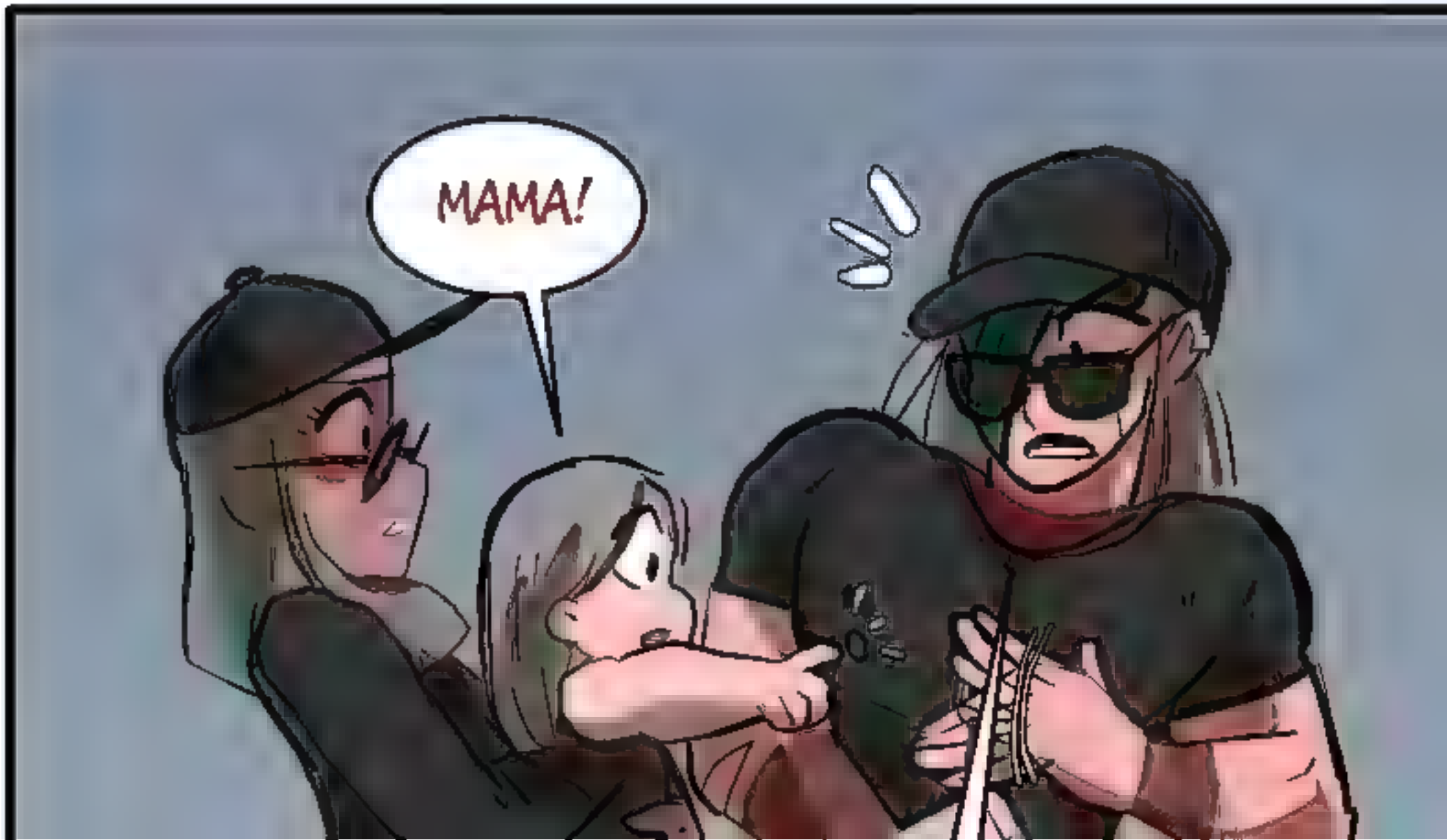
GREAT, NOW HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO ASK FOR DIRECTIONS? WHY COULDN'T YOU HAVE TURNED HER INTO AN OLD LADY?

SHOULD WE... TAKE HER WITH US?

GOO
GOO GOO!


HERE'S WHAT WE'RE GONNA DO.
YOU GUYS STAY HERE AND WATCH HER. KNOX AND I WILL FIND NEPHTHYS.

WHAT?!
I DIDN'T COME
ON THIS MISSION
TO BABYSIT!


MAMA!

HEY,
CUT IT OUT!
YOU GOT THE
WRONG IDEA-- THAT'S
JUST MY ARMOR
UNDER THERE!
WHY
DOES YOUR
ARMOR NEED
NIPPLES?

CAN'T WE JUST LEAVE HER? SHE'LL... TODDLE OFF AND FIND SOMEONE WHO'LL LOOK AFTER HER.

AND ALERT THE WHOLE PLACE TO THE FACT THAT THERE'S SOME PROWLER TURNING THIS PLACE INTO A DAYCARE? NO THANKS

JUST STAY THERE AND KEEP ANYONE ELSE OFF OUR TRAIL UNTIL KNOX AND I COME BACK WITH NEPHTHYS.

THE DOCTOR IS IN!
YOUR HEALTH GUARANTEED!

ROOM of
SWORDS

UPDATES EVERY MONDAY

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HEY SWEETIE!
BEFORE YOU GO,
MAKE SURE TO GIVE US A
LIKE AND FOLLOW US ON
OUR INSTAGRAM /TWITTER:
@ROOMOFSWORDS